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WHITEAWAY'S

American Coastguard Ships And Planes Rush To Aid Torpedoed Steamer

U.S. NEUTRAL ZONE "RAID" BY U-BOAT

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Nov. 1 (UP).—It is feared that the British steamer **Coulmore** (3,670 tons) has been sunk. The **Coulmore** is registered at Glasgow and was built in 1936 by the **Ayrshire Dockyard Co., Ltd.**, at Irvine.

The owners are the **Carslogie Steamship Co., Ltd.**, the manager for whom are **Honeyman and Company**.

CUTTERS RACE TO RESCUE

Six coastguard cutters and two seaplanes to-day raced to the scene of the attack 680 miles east of New York. The first arrival found no traces of the vessel but the search is continuing in heavy seas.

An S.O.S. message indicated that the **Coulmore** was the victim of a U-Boat attack, but British naval authorities are discussing the possibility of a German surface raider.

In the meantime United States ships are trying not only to save the crew of 34 but also to obtain all possible information on operations in this particular area. All possible rescue ships have been mobilised.

INSIDE NEUTRALITY ZONE

If the **Coulmore** reported her position correctly the attack occurred inside the neutrality zone proclaimed by the Declaration of Panama.

The coastguard vessel **George M. Bibb** has reported that a moderate southerly gale is blowing, and that the coastguard cutters **Campbell**, **Chelan**, **Argo**, **Hamilton** and **Duane** are en route to the scene.

The Navy Department has also announced that destroyers and naval planes are co-operating in the search.

The Mackay Radio has intercepted a short wave message from station **GKT** at Portshend, England saying there had been an "enemy submarine attack" about 160 miles east of Madeira and 230 miles west of the French Moroccan coastline.

DUMBARTON SHIP SUNK

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—The British 4,000 ton steamer, **Bronte**, has been sunk by a sub-marine in the Atlantic.

The crew of 40 and the one passenger she carried were landed in a British port.

MOLOTOFF REBUKED

U.S. Suspicious Of His Criticism

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1 (UP).

Mr. Stephen Early, Secretary to the White House, to-day charged that the Soviet Foreign Minister's criticism of President Roosevelt's neutrality policy was timed to coincide with the important House of Representatives' vote on the United States Neutrality Bill.

He said the United States is curious as to the reason for M. Molotoff's criticism and that it is considered open to question whether it is purely coincidental that M. Molotoff should choose to make such an important speech at a time when the House is voting.

"It would seem to me that he had the arms embargo in mind, rather more than what he termed the President's moral support for Finland. The embargo is strictly a matter for the Congress of the United States to decide," Mr. Early said.

He added that he did not know whether President Roosevelt has yet read M. Molotoff's speech.

Question Of Timing

WASHINGTON, NOV. 1 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt's secretary, in a statement to-day questioned whether it was purely coincidental that M. Molotoff criticised the President at a time when an important vote was scheduled in Washington on the Neutrality Legislation.

He added that personally that the decision to speak and to give the first revelations on the points being discussed between Finland and the U.S.S.R., whether by coincidence or not, seems worth considering as a question of timing.

The attack occurred some days ago.

It is understood that **Bronte** remained afloat for a considerable time. Another vessel tried to tow her to port.

The only passenger was a 71-year-old inventor.

The **Bronte**, owned by the **Lampport, Holt Line Ltd.**, and registered at Liverpool, was built in 1910 by Messrs. A. McMillan and Son, Ltd., at Dumbarton.

She had a gross tonnage of 5,137 tons.

HOLLAND PREPARES

State Of Siege In Certain Areas

SPECIAL WAR SERVICE

THE HAGUE, Nov. 1 (Reuter).

A state of siege will be proclaimed shortly in some districts and Holland will place executive powers entirely in the hands of the military authorities.

The measure, which was announced by the Prime Minister in the Lower Chamber and which applies to certain frontier and "inundation" territories, is to be introduced in view of Holland's defence programme.

It will be recalled that similar action was taken in 1914.

It is not intended to place any further restrictions on the Press.

Ready To Flood Areas

SPECIAL WAR SERVICE

PARIS, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—It is

unofficially reported that the Dutch have already released a quantity of water in the areas to be flooded in the event of an attack.

Nazi Losses Mount To Over 500,000 Tons

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—Mr. Ronald Cross, the Minister for Economic Warfare, broadcasting from London to-day, revealed that seizures of goods destined for Germany had now comfortably exceeded half a million tons.

They included petrol, iron, aluminium, copper and phosphates.

This was only a small proportion of Germany's real losses as the result of British mastery of the seas, because many overseas shippers had not even attempted to send goods to Germany.

Only 14 Per Cent. Foodstuffs

Referring to the Nazi complaints that the control was inhumane, Mr. Cross declared that only 14 per cent. of the total seizures would normally have been classified as food, including nine per cent. of oils and fats, which the Germans could use equally easily as munitions or food.

In this connection, Mr. Cross recalled that the German leaders had already decided that guns were preferable to butter.

Much of the remaining five per cent. consisted of cereals, which could be used for food or converted into alcohol for use as motor spirit.

Pertinent Question

The remaining 86 per cent. consisted of materials, which could be used directly for war purposes, and could not be used as food.

Mr. Cross added: "In modern times, no government does more than the Germans to abolish the distinction between the Army and civilian population. We may well ask what is the object of the German submarine campaign if not to prevent all cargoes and foodstuffs from reaching this country?"

No Sugar Rationing

Sugar will not be rationed as there are sufficient supplies to meet normal requirements. If the public would restrict their purchases to one pound per week per person, there would be sufficient for some months.

Consumers will register for sugar but will not use ration books, thus enabling the Food Ministry to ascertain the necessary distribution without actual rationing.

Meat will be rationed but "supplies in sight for the future are ample to meet all reasonable requirements for both the Services and the civilian population," Mr. Morrison said, and urged housewives throughout Britain to do their utmost to conserve foodstuffs.

OUR SMILING QUEEN



THE EMPIRE'S beautiful and gracious Queen photographed as she recently visited the Red Cross depot in London. Her Majesty is aiding Red Cross workers to make bandages at the depot.

SPECIAL COMMENTARY ON THE WAR

Soviet's 'No' To Nazi Military Ambitions

Brilliant Convoy Successes

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—To-day's special commentary on the war situation says that military circles in London emphasise the significant absence in M. Molotoff's speech of any promise of military assistance for Germany.

M. Molotoff's reiteration that Russia is neutral towards the Allies, but claiming a free hand in foreign policy, suggests a Russian refusal to be tied to German ambitions, probably because of a settled policy of assisting China.

Convoy Success

The extent of the development of the British convoy system is illustrated by the fact that nearly 2,600 Allied merchant vessels have already been convoyed.

The efficacy of the system is proved by the reduction in merchant ship losses since the first week of the war, and the fact that to date only eight ships in convoy, or one in 200, have been lost. Three of these losses were on the same convoy.

The efficiency of the convoy system does not argue any shortage of escorting vessels. The large force of these ships have already been enormously increased since the outbreak of the war.

Elimination Of Raiders

The most efficacious method of the defence of maritime trade remains the destruction of attacking enemy forces. The British anti-submarine force is considerable in strength and efficiency, proved not only by the heavy submarine losses incurred by Germany, but also by the fact that German submarines are forced to cruise increasingly far away from the focal areas of trade. The numbers of submarines inflicting serious damage are thus greatly reduced.

The statement by the German High Command that the campaign against British merchant shipping is proceeding "according to plan" is not borne out by the facts that in two months, sinkings amount to less than one per cent. of British shipping coming to and from our ports, and thus the loss is almost entirely counter-balanced by new construction and by German merchantmen captured when compelled to leave neutral ports where they are sheltering owing to lack of money to pay harbour dues.

**Swedes Increasing
Naval Strength**

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

STOCKHOLM, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—The Riksdag has voted credits totalling 2,125,000 for the immediate construction of one destroyer and 18 mine-sweepers.

A.I.F. Far Overseas

Mr. Menzies also announced that a second Australian Imperial Force of 20,000 men, which the Government had decided to raise, would be sent abroad when trained, unless circumstances rendered it impracticable.

In addition to the total order for 100 Lockheed aeroplanes from America, Australia was shortly to produce six Wirraway planes a week. They had also ordered for training purposes 50 Moth Minor machines, 100 privately-owned aircraft, 350 Tiger Moth air frames, and 500 Glips Moth Engines.

The munitions expansion programme included acceleration in the building of a Bren gun factory.

SWISS PRECAUTIONS

BERNE, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—The possibility of the occupation of a part of Swiss territory by an invader is taken account in two decrees just promulgated.

The first informs the population of their rights and obligations in such an event, and the second deals with the juridical aspect of the transfer of industrial and commercial undertakings situated near the frontier.

The decrees, without being alarming, are nevertheless regarded as significant.

Puppet Representations To French Concession

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SHANGHAI, Nov. 2 (Domel).

In view of the frequent occurrence of terroristic outrages in the French Concession, Mayor Fu Sino-en of the Shanghai Special Municipality on Wednesday has filed representations with M. M. Baudet, the French Consul-General, asking for stricter control of Chinese terrorists and effective maintenance of peace and order in the Concession.

Mayor Fu's note calls attention to the murder by Chinese gunmen of Li Chin-piao, councillor of the Shanghai Special Municipality, on October 28 on Malang Road in the French Concession, and the murder of Professor Wang Fu-yen, of Fudan University, by terrorists on the same day on Route Tenant de Latour in the French Concession.

**How Air Force
Is Prepared**

Remarkable Tests Of Machines Over France

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter's War Service).—Bronzed pilots and crews from Britain and the Dominions are daily carrying out attacks on their own aerodromes in France, says "Reuter's" special correspondent with the Air Force in France.

They are keeping in training for the destruction, when ordered, of Nazi aerodromes, in anticipation of which an extensive and highly-successful reconnaissance was carried out over the aerodromes in Northern Germany this week.

"Reuter's" correspondent witnessed to-day a low-flying bombing attack by the aircraft of one squadron whose motto "We Sweep the Skies" is emblazoned by a broom hung outside the operation tent.

It took them only 13 seconds to reach their objectives, representing a machine gun post, bomb dump and fuel, and grounded planes, while momentarily varying their height and direction in order to avoid imaginary enemy machine-gun fire.

Still At Large

While those responsible for these outrages were believed to be still at large, the note adds, peace and order in the foreign settlement are greatly menaced by the activities of terrorists who "are directed and financed by Chungking agents."

If the French Municipal Council authorities fail to arrest the assassins responsible for the murder of the Chinese City Government's official, Mayor Fu observes that the prestige of the French Consul-General will become questionable and the Concession authorities will be blamed for neglecting their duties.

LATEST

British Steamer Raided

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SHANGHAI, Nov. 1 (UP).—Chinese Customs officers to-day raided a British steamer, here, the name of which cannot be disclosed, and discovered 103 gold bars estimated to be worth 400,000 yuan hidden in the engine room.

The bullion has been confiscated due to the law prohibiting private parties from exporting bullion. Shipping circles here believe that members of the crew, acting with Chinese businessmen, were attempting to smuggle the bars to Hongkong.

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Further Late News**

Nazi Leaflet Raid Fails

Warm Welcome From French A.A. Guns

BRUSSELS, Nov. 1 (Reuter's War Service).—French anti-aircraft batteries warmly welcomed German aeroplanes making a leaflet raid, states the Luxembourg correspondent of the "Libre Belgique."

This correspondent added that the machines were forced to fly so high that the tracts, which urged the French not to pull chestnuts out of the fire for others, fluttered wide of the mark and fell in Luxembourg.

AUSTRALIA'S GIGANTIC BID FOR SUPREMACY

SYDNEY, Nov. 1 (Reuter).

In addition to the expansion of the Australian naval construction, the Commonwealth Government has offered to arrange for construction on behalf of the British Government if desired.

Mr. R. G. Menzies, the Australian Prime Minister, announced that speedily and powerfully merchant ships would be chartered and armed heavily enough to deal with enemy armed merchantmen and destroyers.

Some of these might be for the Australian Navy and others for the British Admiralty.

Diplomat Returning

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—Herr Schulenburg, the German Ambassador to Moscow, is leaving for Berlin to-morrow and will be staying for several days announces the German News Agency.

The Sun Attacks HERE

Strong, warm sunshine is pleasant to the body but it is hard on the eyes. The brilliant light causes eye-strain which, in turn, brings headaches and ageing lines. The hot, dust-laden atmosphere encourages microbes, and dries up the natural moisture round the eyes, causing ocular congestion and leading to all kinds of eye-troubles.

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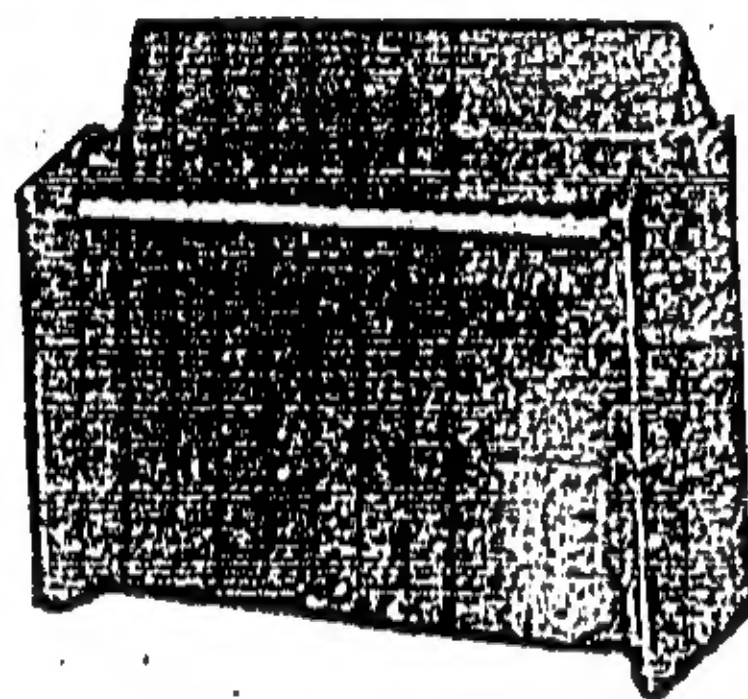
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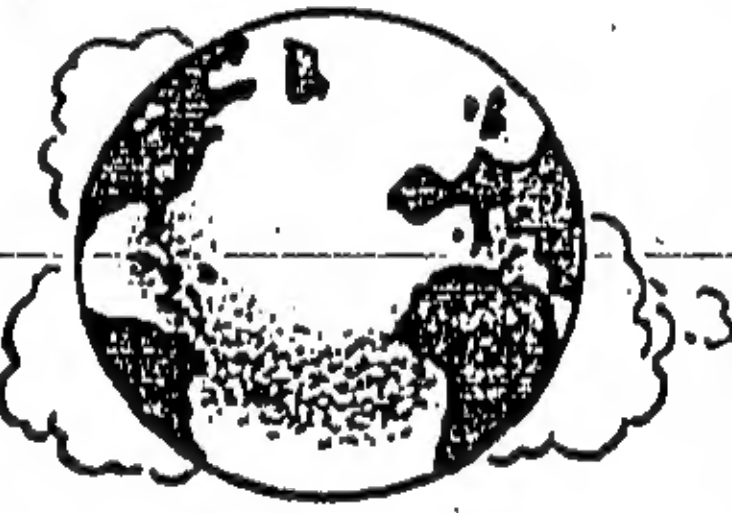
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"Peace" Tactics

AGGRESSION, Monsieur Molotov would, have us believe, is no longer aggression once the deed is accomplished.

Germany and Russia having "ennobled" the Polish people, want nothing better than to be left alone with their spoils, and anyone who disturbs them or threatens to wrest back from them the fruits of their aggression himself becomes the aggressor and the aggressor becomes the victim.

It is one of the most fantastic arguments ever perpetrated by a responsible head of Government. Even Hitler himself could hardly be guilty of such fatuousness.

M. Molotov is not the world's most convincing advocate of Herr Hitler. His plans to-day must strike chords of remembrance—the passionate Soviet advocacy of war against Italy when the Ethiopian adventure was launched; the invitation to France and Britain to join Russia in marching into Czechoslovakia when that country was dismembered.

In fact, M. Molotov is crying peace where there is no peace, but rather diplomacy. He seems willing to appear so naive as to misunderstand the position of Britain and France in the tragedy of the Third Reich's invasion of Poland set in motion. Because Poland has been shattered under the hammer blows of an oligarchy in Berlin, Molotov sees nothing left for the Allies to fight for. He overlooks the fact that the Allies' pledges to Poland were symbols of a determination to stand against that evil which the destruction of Poland also symbolises.

Intentionally or otherwise, Russia is doing Reichsführer Hitler one more favour by thus stacking the diplomatic cards to make a deal in Herr Hitler's favour more moral. For it is not peace M. Molotov asks for. It is a surrender which could be—and probably would be—exploited by the "Totalitarian" Powers—of which Russia is one—as previous diplomatic surrenders and concessions have been.

M. Molotov's judgment that the Allies have compromised their moral position by continuing the war after Poland collapsed will not be taken very seriously anywhere in the world, coming as it does from the Foreign Minister of a government which has compromised its ideology and its previous assertions of peace-lovingness by its pre-war deal with Hitler.

The second round in the "peace offensive", launched this time by



"BIENVENUE! MON AMI!" "WOTCHER, CHUM!"

Comrades

"And whether one member suffer, all the members suffer with it; or one member be honoured, all the members rejoice with it."—1. CORINTHIANS, xiii 26.

THE Rev. Pat McCormick, vicar of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, stood in the lofty pulpit of his church and spoke of Fellowship.

"In the last war," he said, "we knew the great value of the fellowship which was learned in the trenches. We realised that comradeship which overcame all ranks. And we must do so again, for the sake of our country and the cause for which we are fighting."

The vicar of St. Martin was a chaplain in South Africa and in the last war. He was decorated with the Distinguished Service Order for gallantry, and that Sunday he wore two rows of medals, testifying to his long and varied services with the Forces of the Crown.

He addressed a huge congregation which occupied every seat in the broad nave of this famous church, the church which may well be said to be the parish church of London's West End. It was a congregation which was different from the ordinary assembly of people which in days of peace meet below the blue and gold decorated ceiling for Sunday morning prayer.

In every other pew were serving officers and men of all ranks—commanders of the Royal Navy, majors of the General Staff, squadron leaders of the Royal Air Force, ratings, aircraftmen, other ranks.

When the war broke out Pat McCormick was recovering from illness in hospital for months. But to-day he is back in his pulpit, carrying on the traditions of the noble Dick Sheppard in endeavouring to bring back the humanity of Christianity to those who go by.

He selected as his theme the universality of religion in times of distress as expressed by St. Paul.

"I would like to impress on you," he continued, "the necessity of working together at this time. We must work together as a Church and as a nation, for we are members of one another."

"There are different forms of fellowship. There is nothing like a time such as this which can help us learn more deeply and quickly the necessity of putting personal differences on one side."

"We have all to make sacrifices all round, no matter what our station. But in that sacrifice remember it is part of the Divine economy that common suffering should not be divorced from common rejoicing."

"For in the darkest hour there is always something to rejoice over. The act of heroic suffering on the one part may be cause for rejoicing on the other. For in this we are all members of one cause."

"In the days to come do not look on the bad things, but remember the many splendid things which are happening around you. Think of the noble sacrifice made by many as part of the day's work. Why only this week there was cause for great rejoicing amid all the present suffering at the simple, matter-of-fact way in which airplanes picked up survivors of a ship sunk at sea. There was no parade of heroics, although there was great heroism. Keep such things in your minds and it will aid you in taking your part in the fellowship of the Church and the nation."

"Thank God for what your fellow men are doing for what you can do yourself in the common cause."

the Soviet, appears less an offensive by "peace". The cry of peace is now just another weapon in the arsenal of dictatorial diplomacy. When real peace is intended the peoples of the world will see that their leaders heed its spokesmen.

How the convoy system operates

BY COMMANDER H. PURSEY

THE introduction, within a few days of the outbreak of war, of the old-time convoy system for the protection of our merchant shipping is a great advance on the tardy steps taken in the Great War, when it was not adopted until after nearly three years of hostilities.

Germany's present plan, as was to be expected—with a fleet greatly inferior to our own and the number of her submarines considerably less than at the height of the 1917 U-boat campaign—is to make the greatest use of her "assassins of the sea"—while they have the opportunity.

Certain losses on our side are inevitable, but some of our recent casualties have been ships unable to reach a friendly port in time.

IN the last war, for various reasons, the convoy system was not started until after Germany's unrestricted submarine campaign had begun and, indeed, was not in full operation until some months afterwards.

This campaign began in February, 1917, when Germany announced that all ships of whatever nationality, approaching the British Isles would be liable to attack without warning.

In the following April, the worst month, 430 ships of 852,000 tons were sunk. This was at a greater rate than they could be replaced; while, on the other hand, U-boats were being com-

pleted faster than we were destroying them.

The German success made it manifest that unless something was done, and quickly, to reduce considerably our losses the end of the war in the near future could be predicted with arithmetic precision.

Germany had based her prospects of winning the war on such calculations, but, as with many others of her plans, they were completely upset by the adoption of new measures.

PRACTICE of conveying merchant shipping in times of war was a well-established one even in the days of sailing ships, but there were various technical objections to its being adopted in the first two and a half years of the Great War.

Among them were: unavoidable delay in holding up ships awaiting convoy, and the fact that it could only proceed at the speed of the slowest ship; the vast number of ships to be dealt with, and the small number of naval vessels available; the larger size of target—later found to be no disadvantage—and the difficulties of station-keeping with untrained officers.

Most of these objections proved themselves to be possible of solution. Delays could be reduced by organisation, and station-keeping improved with training.

Experimental convoys were run from North America and Gibraltar with complete success, and the system was extended to the Mediterranean, North Sea and elsewhere, until practically all our shipping was protected in this manner.

The practice was, and is, for ships to

assemble at certain ports of departure. The masters are then informed of the procedure at sea, emphasis being laid on the importance of correct station-keeping, darkening ship, zig-zagging, and the action to be taken in the event of submarine attack.

The formation depends on the number of ships, their positions in columns, and the distance apart of both ships and columns, being arranged to present the smallest target to a submarine and to develop the maximum defensive gunfire.

The naval ocean escort, consisting of cruisers, armed merchant cruisers, escort vessels or destroyers, is stationed around the convoy to ward off any attack.

For further security the whole convoy steers zig-zag courses according to a prearranged plan, which makes it much more difficult for a submarine to make a successful torpedo attack. Among the advantages of convoy is the fact that a submarine has only one opportunity of attacking ships en masse, instead of striking at each vessel separately, and the escort ships prevent this attack being made from a favourable position.

The sinking of merchant ships by gunfire from a submarine, or by scuttling, frequent occurrences in the early part of the last war, is also stopped.

In the event of a torpedo attack, whether the submarine, or only the path of the torpedo is sighted, her position is known and she is instantly hunted down.

DURING the last war I served in a destroyer employed on such a successful submarine hunt is vividly recalled.

In July, 1918, a convoy was attacked off Whitby by U.B. 110. A motor launch sighted the periscope, and immediately dropped a couple of depth charges. Another motor launch rushed in and also dropped her "eggs."

The U-boat's captain ordered a "crash dive," but it was too late. The explosion jammed her hydroplanes to "rise," and brought the submarine to the surface.

I.M.A. destroyer Garry rushed in at high speed and rammed the submarine twice, causing her to capsize and sink. Thirteen of her crew of 36 were saved. This U-boat was salvaged and taken into Harrow dock.

ONCE established, the convoy system soon proved a triumphant success. From May, 1917, until the end of the war, 10,539 ships—or over 99 per cent. of the total—were safely escorted.

In the same 18 months only 102 vessels were torpedoed while in convoy—a number less than a quarter of that for April, 1917.

At present we have several advantages as compared with any period of the Great War. Germany has less than half the number of submarines she had in 1917, and of this number, about sixty, 25 are of a small type which will probably restrict them to the North Sea.

On the other hand, as is well known, our anti-submarine devices and destruction measures have made great progress in the last 20 years. Enemy submarines have no defence against our depth-charges or our secret detection apparatus.

For over two years Mercantile Marine officers have been receiving special courses of instruction in the defence measures to be taken in every possible emergency. This year crews have been trained to fight their defensive gun.

Though Germany may carry out a policy of frightfulness, by sinking ships without warning, this policy is doomed to failure from the start.

Both the Navy and the Merchant Service have the greatest faith in the organisation and success of the convoy system, and with the gallantry and devotion to duty of the officers and men, the almost immediate defeat of the present menace at sea is assured.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"Pierre tries the most daring experiments—to-day he used just plain soap and water on moi!"

OVERNIGHT
NEWS PAGEMysterious S.O.S.
Picked Up

NEW YORK, Nov. 1 (UP).—Mackay Radio reports having received an S.O.S. reading, "Lat. 40.20 north, Long. 62.31 west S.O.S. submarine." The S.O.S. is interpreted as a submarine attack 400 miles north-east of Bermuda.

Canadian coastal stations are sending the alarm regularly and asking the British steamer Coulmore for direction findings, but the vessel has not answered. The U.S.S. Campbell 200 miles away is proceeding to render aid.

The Philippines

QUEZON
GIVES A
WARNING

Manila, Nov. 1. Speaking at the induction of Senator Teodoro Sison into the newly-created Cabinet post of Secretary of National Defence, which was broadcast, President Quezon bluntly warned the Philippines against the possibility of aggression after independence. He recalled the fate of Czechoslovakia and Poland. He said that even though the Philippines arm every male citizen it would not assure the islands will not become a victim of aggression.

The President reiterated that he was proceeding on the programme prepared for independence in 1946. He urged President Roosevelt to undertake negotiations for neutralization of the Philippines after the grant of independence, however, although he admitted that the history of recent years shows conclusively how inadequate mere neutralization treaties can be in safeguarding the independence of the Philippines.

It is conceivable that Philippine neutrality will be violated, but a neutrally treated island at least improves the moral position of the Philippines.—United Press.

Cheaper Air
Mail Rates
Urged In House
Of Commons

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons today, the Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Information, was asked whether he would consider the desirability of recommending cheaper Empire air-mail rates.

He said he appreciated the importance of the despatch of correspondence and British newspapers overseas, which the Postmaster-General, in consultation with the Secretary of State for Air, had under constant review.

The Real Difficulty
Mr. Noel Baker, of the Opposition Labour, said: "This is a most important matter."
The Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Information replied: "This is a matter which is weight and space."

All Quiet Along
Western Front

PARIS, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—The following communiqué was issued today:

"In the course of the day, there was the usual activity of small infantry units on both sides at various points of the front."

Finnish Delegation
Due In Moscow

MOSCOW, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—The Finnish delegation is expected here tomorrow.

Heart Trouble
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FINLAND PERTURBED
BY SOVIET DEMANDS
FOR BALTIC BASESChances of Concessions
May Now Be Lessened

Finland is deeply perturbed at the bold reference in the speech of the Russian Premier to the Soviet desire to acquire strategic Finnish bases in exchange for part of the autonomous Republic of Karelia adjoining Finland.

The Finnish delegation is on its way to Moscow to continue the negotiations but it is considered that M. Molotov's announcement calls for new action.

Helsinki, Oct. 31. The Government convened today to consider Russia's publication of her demands.

M. Molotov tossed a bombshell into the negotiations by his breaking the agreement that neither side would reveal the contents of negotiations. It will be impossible to intercept the Finnish delegation proceeding to Moscow until they reach Viborg on the Russian border.

Finland is apprehensive because Russia is demanding a base opposite the Baltic Port on the Isle of Hangoe, territory demands on the Karelian Isthmus and certain islands in the Gulf of Finland.

The Government telegraphed to M. Molotov, leader of the delegation and ordered him to stop at Viborg and telephone to his Government.

The General Staff informed the Cabinet at the midnight session that the situation was serious because the demand for the Karelian Isthmus included Finland's "Magnet Line" which is Finland's decisive eastern frontier defence.—United Press.

Prestige Involved

Helsinki, Nov. 1. M. Erko said that danger now arose that Russian prestige was involved. He feared that chances of mutual concessions had been lessened.

"Until now Finland was confident," he said, "and without pressure from abroad we had wished to comply with the Russian demands for the security of Leningrad without sacrificing the 1932 non-aggression Pact, under which Russia agreed to respect the Dorpat Treaty for the Russo-Finnish border, so that all difficulties could be settled peacefully."

"If Russia wants Sankari, it is because this Baltic port is a potential Russian ice-free naval base and Russia wants to secure herself against any eventualities."—United Press.

Finland's Accusation

Helsinki, Nov. 1. M. Erko in a statement says that M. Molotov has created a new and difficult situation by voicing the Soviet demands while M. Pansikivi is on the way to Moscow.—United Press.

A Last Attempt

Copenhagen, Nov. 1. A newspaper report from Helsinki says the Finnish Cabinet was in session until the early hours of this morning trying to decide whether or not to send the Mission to Moscow for the third time.

Evening at 3.30 a.m. they decided the delegation should go.—Reuter.

Surprise And Hope

Helsinki, Nov. 1. A communiqué says it is yet too early to estimate whether M. Molotov's speech will affect Finland's standpoint in the negotiations, but naturally it will tend to prolong the discussions.

While surprise is general at the hasty holding up of the Finnish delegation's journey to Moscow it is realised that Molotov's statement may necessitate a re-adjustment of the counter-proposals.

Newspapers draw attention to the fact that the Soviet demand for a fortified area opposite Helsinki in Eastern Karelia would result in the important ports of Helsinki, Viipuri and Kotka being nominally under foreign control, resulting also in the severance of Finland's commercial arteries at will.

Hopes are expressed that ways and means will be found to satisfy both parties.—Reuter.

American Reaction

Washington, Oct. 31. Congressional and Insular Department circles refer to the Soviet Foreign Minister's reference to the Philippines reminding him that the Philippines were granted independence five years ago. Even the proponents of withdrawing this independence are unanimous that such re-examination must bear the endorsement of the Philippines. The chief pressure for the withdrawal of independence comes from the Philippines themselves.—United Press.

"Friends" Will Stand By

New York, Nov. 1. The reshuffle of the Italian Cabinet and Molotov's speech have as much to do with the war as anything that has yet occurred," says the New York Times.

The paper adds that both Germany's "old partner and new look" the occasion to underline their neutrality.

"There is not much comfort for Hitler in the Molotov speech. The whole tenor of the discourse implies that Russia's sole aim is to take advantage of the conflict to strengthen her own position and extend her international influence. The clear aim of Russia and Italy is to make hay

while Hitler is otherwise engaged."—Reuter.

Britain Pleased

London, Nov. 1. Soviet determination to remain neutral is the main point emphasised by all newspaper editorials upon Molotov's speech, which is also given the main headings in the news column.

Dealing with the speech, the Daily Telegraph says neutrality is the kernel of the speech. Berlin had promised the world surprises, but not of the nature predicted. The world is accustomed to astonishing turns of Soviet policy, but may yet confess advanced in all seriousness by Molotov.

If Russia were not a great power factor in world affairs it would be impossible to take Molotov quite seriously. His whole argument is a prelude to one line of policy, his conclusion is a proclamation of another policy, but what Molotov is solely concerned for is Russia's advantage or profit, not Germany's.

The News Chronicle writes that the core of the speech was that part which stated that Russia will remain neutral. That, from Britain's viewpoint, is eminently satisfactory and bound to cause chagrin in Berlin. It puts an end to Nazi expectations of Soviet military assistance in the present struggle.

The Daily Mail says that Hitler must be a very disappointed man. He had said that Molotov's speech would be the turning point of the war. It has proved to be nothing of the sort. The main plank was neutrality.

The Daily Herald writes that it is natural that for handing the Baltic to Stalin, Germany gets nothing but words. Hitler asks for aeroplanes and submarines as payment and Stalin gives him only speeches and articles in the press.—Reuter.

Resuming Trade Talks

London, Nov. 1. The Anglo-Soviet trade discussions are to be continued this week.—Reuter Bulletin.

French Opinion

Paris, Nov. 1. Press commentaries view Molotov's speech as a disappointment for Hitler. Madame Tabbou, writing in L'Ouvre, says Molotov seems to have affirmed a permanent Soviet-German friendship, but it is obviously not what Berlin had hoped for.

Pertinax, in L'Ordre, says, "It is clear Russia will remain neutral. Hitler has no longer to speculate on the unknown advantages. The future relations between Germany and Russia are certain."—Reuter.

R.A.F. FLIGHTS
OVER REICH

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH". LONDON, Nov. 1 (UP).—It is clearly reported that the R.A.F. during the past 24 hours, has carried out successful reconnaissance flights over north-western Germany, where they took many photographs and returned to their base safely.

PARIS, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—The German claim that they have brought down four Allied planes is officially denied.

All French planes returned safely to their bases. One British is missing on the day in question.

Dominion Chiefs
In Conference

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—"Reuter" understands that the first serious meetings between the British and Dominion governments took place today.

The Dominions' delegates were entertained at luncheon by the British Government, after which they went to No. 10 Downing Street, where Mr. Neville Chamberlain presided over the meeting.

Mr. Chamberlain was accompanied by Lord Halifax and Mr. Anthony Eden, while the Dominion Government representatives were accompanied by their High Commissioners.

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China-Japan

TOKYO
PEACE
TERMS

Peking, Nov. 1. Declaring that the transition period in North China has passed, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese Expeditionary Force to North China, on Tuesday stressed the necessity of strengthening the Japanese forces in North China.

General Tada counselled Japanese authorities and residents to exert strenuous efforts for sincere co-operation with Chinese people.—Domei.

No Indemnity Asked

Tokyo, Nov. 1. Japan's attitude towards the projected new Central Government in China was discussed when the China Development Council headed by the Premier, General Abo, met this morning with members of the Cabinet and executives of the China Affairs Board.

The session discussed the so-called "Koneye Siao Tada" issued on December 22, in which good neighbour relationship, joint defence against the Comintern and economic co-operation were set forth as the fundamental principles of Japan's policy to settle the China Affair.

The Japanese Government is believed to uphold, in dealing with the new regime in China, the principles of respecting China's independence and equality. The proposals for respecting China's sovereignty and not to demand territorial cession or an indemnity are also understood to remain intact.

Tokyo Denies Rumours

The spokesman of the Foreign Office characterised as "utterly groundless" the reports alleging an endeavour by the Japanese Government to open direct negotiations for peace with the Chinese Government.

Attributing the rumours to Chungking sources, the spokesman declared that the Japanese Government's declaration of January 16, 1938, not to deal with the Chiang Kai-shek's Government still holds good.—Domei.

Rumours Still Thrive

Shanghai, Nov. 1. Chungking messages are rampant in stating that the possibility of imminent peace in the Far East is strongly denied by well-informed Chinese who allege that there is not the slightest sign of any desire for peace in Chungking either on the part of the Government or the public.

Nevertheless there is persistent talk of the possibility of peace among Shanghai business circles, both foreign and Chinese.

A prominent broker stated that there appeared to be a desire for peace in influential quarters on both sides, and that unofficial talks had taken place and are probably still taking place but no formula could be agreed upon.

The effect of this incessant peace talk is reflected partially in the present firmness of the Chinese dollar. At the same time, however, it must be stressed that the whole situation is somewhat confused owing to the fact that speculators seize every opportunity to keep rumours such as those concerning peace prospects with a view to feathering their own nests.

The latest crop of rumours may be the outcome of the official Japanese decision to "dispose of the China incident." Japan may conclude peace with the new China regime which is in process of being set up. This would mean officially no more war between new China and Japan, therefore making a pretence to relegate Marshal Chiang Kai-shek and his supporters to the status of lawless elements to be stamped out either by Japan or the new Chinese regime.

Chinese leaders who recently returned to Chungking after touring the various fronts are alleged to have said that the people in Chungking cannot realise the situation of the Chinese forces in the field who can hold their ground whatever changes may occur in the international situation.—Reuter.

Japanese Support

Tokyo, Nov. 1. The China Affairs Board conference has completed deliberations in connection with the projected new Central Government of China. The decision will be brought up at tomorrow's Cabinet meeting for approval and thereafter the Premier will report the decision to the Throne.

The President, General Abo, pointed out that the time is ripe in China for the establishment of a new Central Government, and asked the conference to discuss concrete measures in this connection.

The conference exchanged views and unanimously decided to extend every possible co-operation for the establishment of the new Government on the basis that the Japanese Government will positively support the movement for the organisation of the new Government and any attempt by others to obstruct the movement will be strictly prevented.—Reuter.

H.K. Residents
See U-Boat Sunk

NEW YORK, Nov. 1 (UP).—Mr. Benjamin Wylie, Managing Director of the South China Morning Post, Ltd., arrived here today by the Cunard liner Seythia.

Mr. Wylie and other passengers during the voyage saw a convoying destroyer fire a depth charge at a submarine, the explosion resulting in a heavy jolt to the Seythia.

Later they saw the surface of the ocean covered with heavy oil, indicating a hit.

Mr. and Mrs. Wylie were shopping in Edinburgh on the day of the Nazi air raids and saw puffs of smoke in the sky as anti-aircraft guns went into action.

Mr. and Mrs. Wylie have been on leave in Europe and are on their way back to Hongkong via America and Canada.

New Pact Is
DefendedTurkish President's
Speech To Assembly

ANKARA, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—President Inönü, opening the Turkish National Assembly, declared that the Anglo-Turkish Pact was directed against no other party.

Its purpose was to assure Turkey's security, at the same time serving peace and international security at least in the zone where Turkey's influence could be exercised.

It followed Turkey's aim in opposing themselves to the extension of the tragedy of war by creating a region of security in Europe, which was struggling in the horrors of war.

Not Disturbing Influence
"The Pact only comes into effect if some state seeks to trample our lawful aspirations," he continued. "Apart from this eventuality, our bonds with our allies, and the high ideal which we have proclaimed together are not of a character to disturb our normal friendly relations with other states."

"We sincerely desire to keep the country outside the zone of war, providing that our security is not compromised nor our undertakings violated."

Soviet-Turkish Relations

The President did not allude to M. Molotov's speech, but referring to M. Saragol's visit to Moscow, he said that while it failed to achieve the agreement aimed at, the friendship linking the two countries rested on a solid basis, and the circumstances and obstacles arising from the temporary necessities of the present time must not be allowed to impair this friendship.

"As hitherto, the friends who are faithful to us may expect nothing but straightforwardness and goodwill from us," declared the President.

Regent's Approval

BAGHDAD, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—Opening Parliament today, the Regent expressed cordial approval of the Anglo-Franco-Turkish Pact, "which enables this part of the world to regard the future with confidence."

Churchill's
AdmissionTwo Reich Warships
In The Atlantic

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—Two warships of the Deutschland type have been reported as operating in the Atlantic, one in the north and the other in the south, declared Mr. Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, replying to a question in the House of Commons today.

Evidence as to whether these were the only two service vessels operating was conflicting, added Mr. Churchill, but it was reasonably certain that at least one of the Deutschland type had been abroad.

When Will They Be Sunk?
A Labourite questioner asked Mr. Churchill when he would be in a position to say that they had been sunk.

"I don't think I should make forecasts of that kind," responded the First Lord, who added that he hoped to make a statement next week on naval operations to date.

Navy Doing Its Best
Asked what was being done to prevent Nazi submarines from refuelling in the sheltering bays along the coast of Eire, Mr. Churchill said the government of Eire was responsible for that.

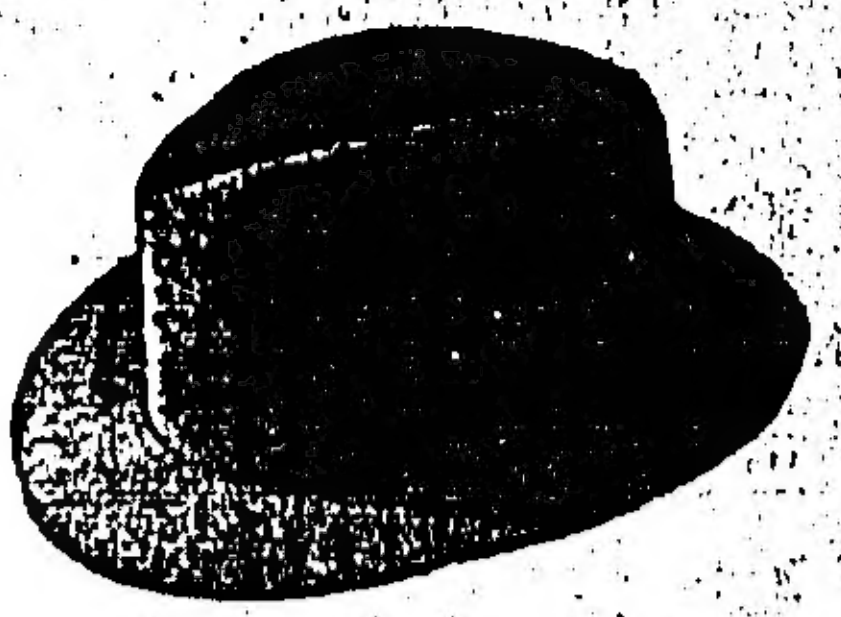
On the high seas, the Royal Navy was taking such measures as were open to it. It was doing its best.

Concerning the fishing industry, he said that a standing committee had been formed to advise the Ministry in this connection.

A number of fishing vessels, taken over when war broke out, had been returned and the question of purchasing more trawlers was being actively pursued.

Envoy's Report To
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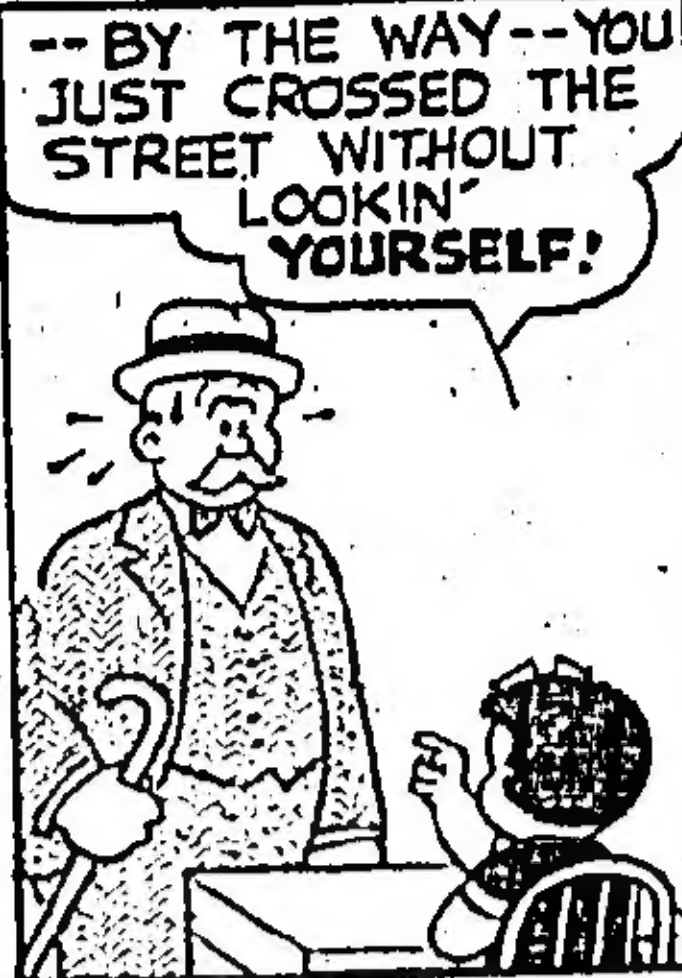
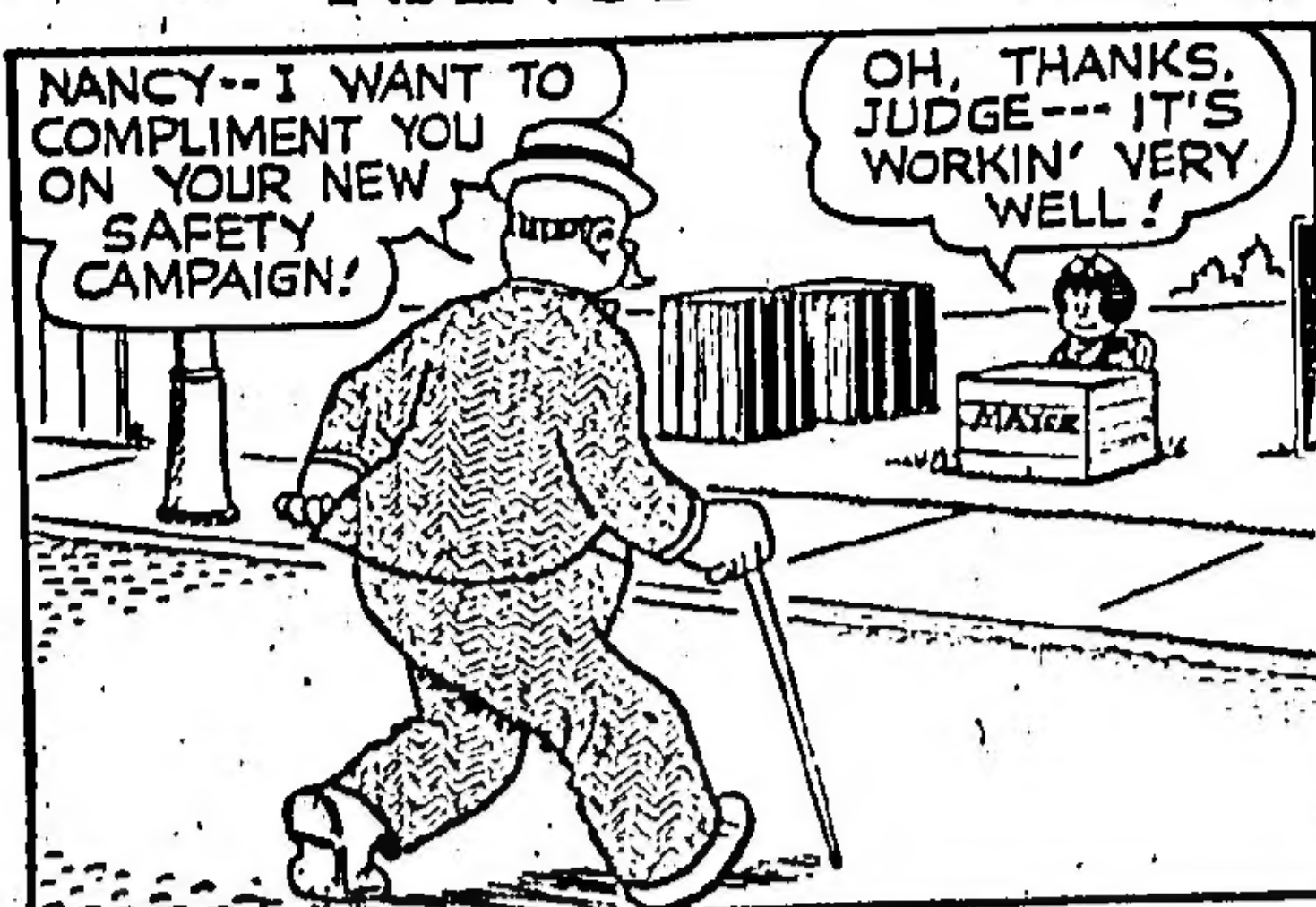
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The little boat cruised for over a week in the Eastern Mediterranean with its treasure.

Then it was arranged with the French Government that the gold should be unloaded in Syria and then transported to France by the French Navy.

It was of the utmost importance for all the Allies that the bullion should not come into the possession of the gold-hungry Nazis. It is now absolutely safe.

The new Polish Government has made it clear that not an ounce of it will be spent for Government needs.

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HITLER HIT

By Woman's
New Play

WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON roared with laughter to-day over the new play, "Margin for Error," by Clare Boothe, author of "The Women," which puts Hitlerism on the spot and is as blistering and pungent as ever came from a dramatist's pen.

The play, which was presented last night, provoked hisses whenever the Nazi leader was mentioned. At one point the show was stopped as the audience stamped their feet and clapped, drowning the words of the actor playing the German Consul, Karl Baumer, villain and central figure in the play.

Baumer is such a consummate villain that everyone—including the entire audience—wants to see him destroyed.

The first act is laid in the office of the Nazi consul of a large American city, and the author takes the opportunity of saying bluntly what she thinks of the "lunatic juggernaut" who now menaces the world.

The consul dies a violent death—to the cheers of the audience. Miss Boothe presents Hitler as the arch-enemy of America, and, judging by the applause, the audience agreed with her.



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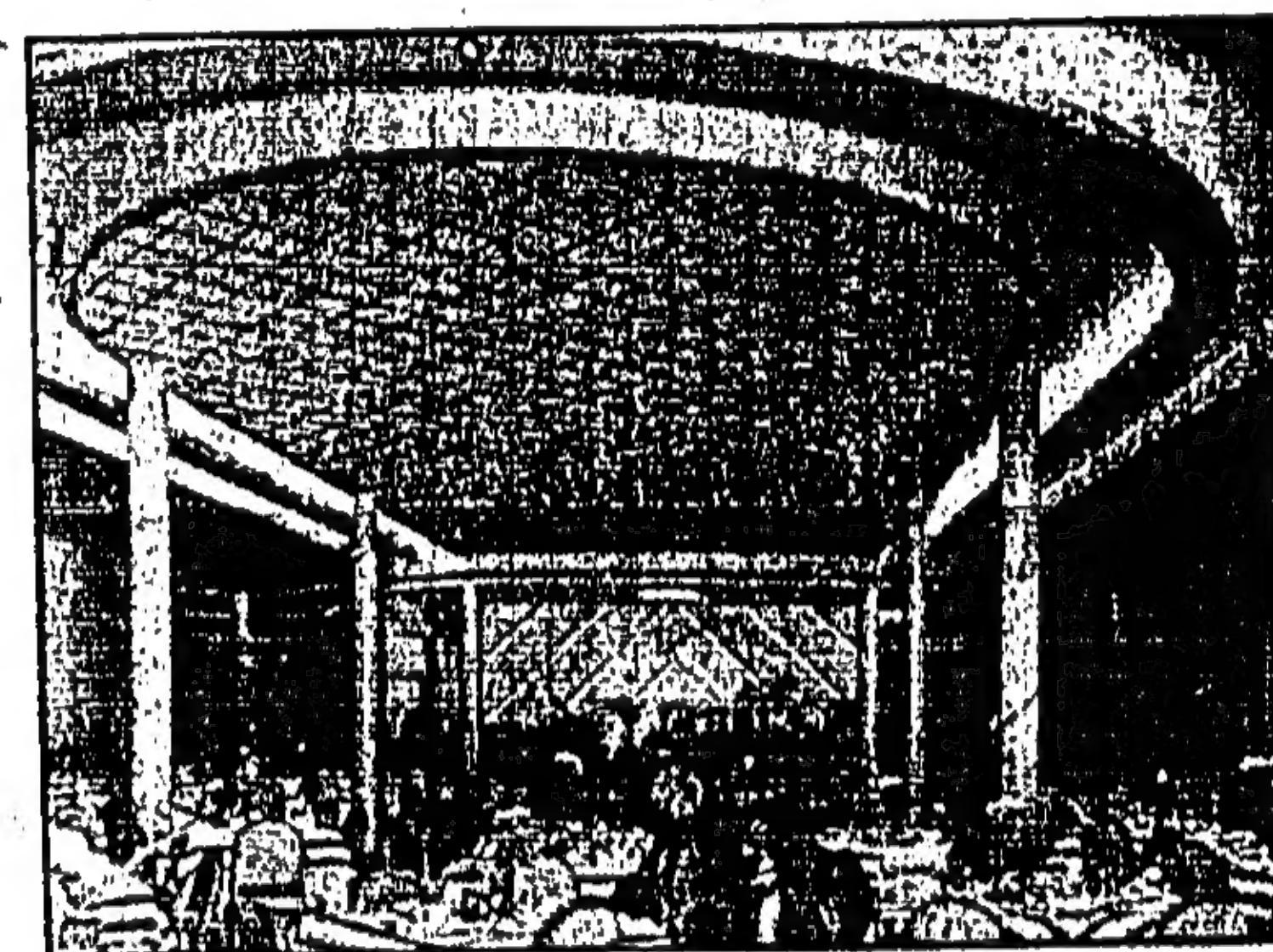
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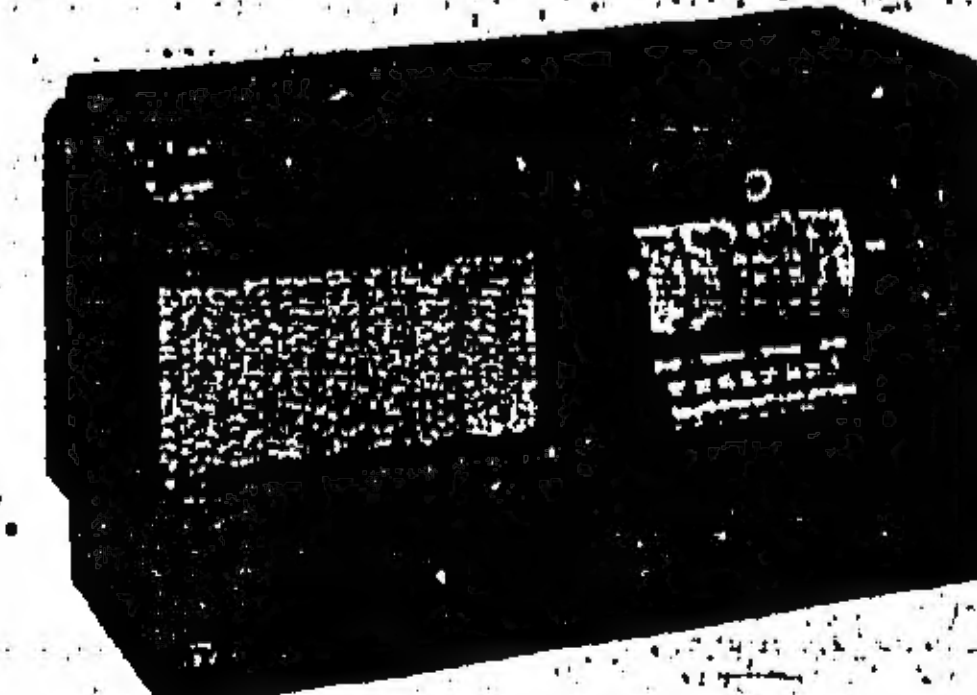
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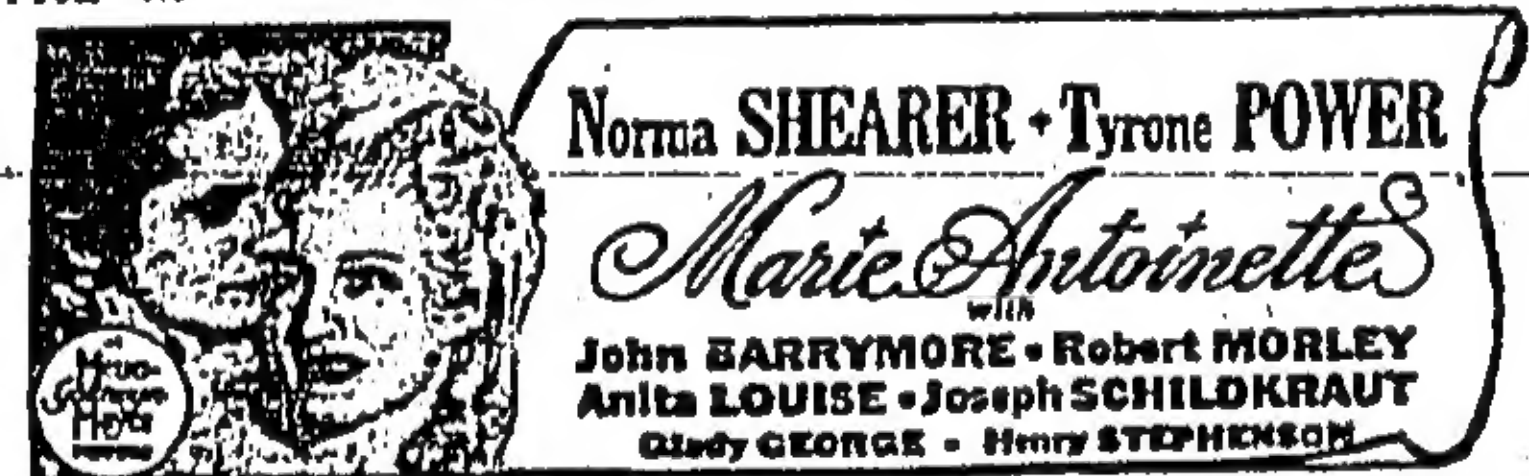
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China In The Commons

Typical Replies By
Mr. R. A. Butler

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—An invitation at question time in the House of Commons to-day addressed to the Premier to make a statement on the situation in China brought an answer from Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, declaring that the situation remains unchanged.

Kulangsau Agreement
Mr. Butler said there had been fighting in Hunan, and North Kiang-shi. Both sides appeared to hold the same line as prior to the recent Japanese offensive.

He was glad to say that an agreement was reached on October 17 between the Japanese Municipal Council and the Japanese Consul-General providing for additional Japanese police officers.

The United States and Japanese landing parties were withdrawn on the following day.

Anti-British Agitation
There was no appreciable relaxation of anti-British agitation in North China although Press reports to-day stated that orders were given to ease the agitation.

Further representations were recently addressed to the Japanese Government by Sir Robert Craigie, the British Ambassador in Tokyo.

Shanghai Situation
LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—Mr. R. A. Butler, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, told a questioner in the House of Commons to-day that there had been some deterioration in the situation in the western area of Shanghai.

Sir Robert Craigie, the British Ambassador, was pressing the Japanese Government for the evacuation of the extra Settlement roads to be cleaned up.

It was understood that the American Ambassador had taken parallel action.

SOVIET TANKS IN VILNA

Anti-Jewish Riot:
50 Badly Hurt

KAUNAS, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—Forty Soviet tanks from Vilnius entered Vilna last night.

The reason for their arrival is unknown.

Lithuanian troops appeared in the streets earlier, following an anti-Jewish demonstration in which 50 Jews were badly injured.

Attacks on Jews and the plundering and wrecking of Jewish flats continued for several hours.

The Jewish communities in Vilna and Kaunas are appealing to the Lithuanian Government.

Independence Essential

Finnish Minister's Reply To Soviets

HELSINKI, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—"It is impossible for Finland to consent to any arrangement which would remove her independence and chances of self-defence," declared M. Erkkö, the Finnish Foreign Minister, in a speech here to-night.

M. Erkkö added: "Finland cannot see any danger of Russia's security being threatened from the Finnish State or territory."

Willing To Help
"Should a third power attempt to use Finland as a base for attack on the Soviet, we should resist such an attempt with the fullest force."

Finland had declared her willingness to assist Russia in strengthening the Leningrad and Finnish defences. The Treaty of Dorpat establishing Finnish independence and the Russo-Finnish non-aggression pact provided the basis for all possible negotiations, he concluded.

New British Army Commander

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—It is learned that Lieut. General Sir Ronald Adam has been appointed to command the Third Army Corps of the British Expeditionary Force.

Major-General H. R. Mosey has been appointed Deputy Chief of the Imperial General Staff.

No Sinkiang Trouble

Province's Leaders Re-Assure Chiang

CHUNGKING, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—Rumours of trouble in Sinkiang (Chinese Turkestan) are automatically dispelled, Chinese circles here claim, by the receipt of a lengthy joint telegram from General Sheng Shih-tai, Pacification Commissioner in Sinkiang, and Li Yan, Governor of Sinkiang, congratulating General Chiang Kai-shek and General Chen Cheng and Hsueh Yo on the Chinese victory at Changsha recently.

In the message, the leaders pledged their loyalty to the Chinese Government, and gave an assurance that they would do everything in their power to contribute resources to aid the war of resistance against Japan.

Firth Of Forth Air Raid Lessons

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—Special instructions to prevent trains from going on the Firth Bridge when air-raid warnings are sounded near that area have now been issued, the Minister of Transport announced to-day.

Western Ukraine Incorporated

MOSCOW, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—A Bill providing for the incorporation of Western Ukraine in the Soviet Union was unanimously passed in both chambers of the Supreme Council.

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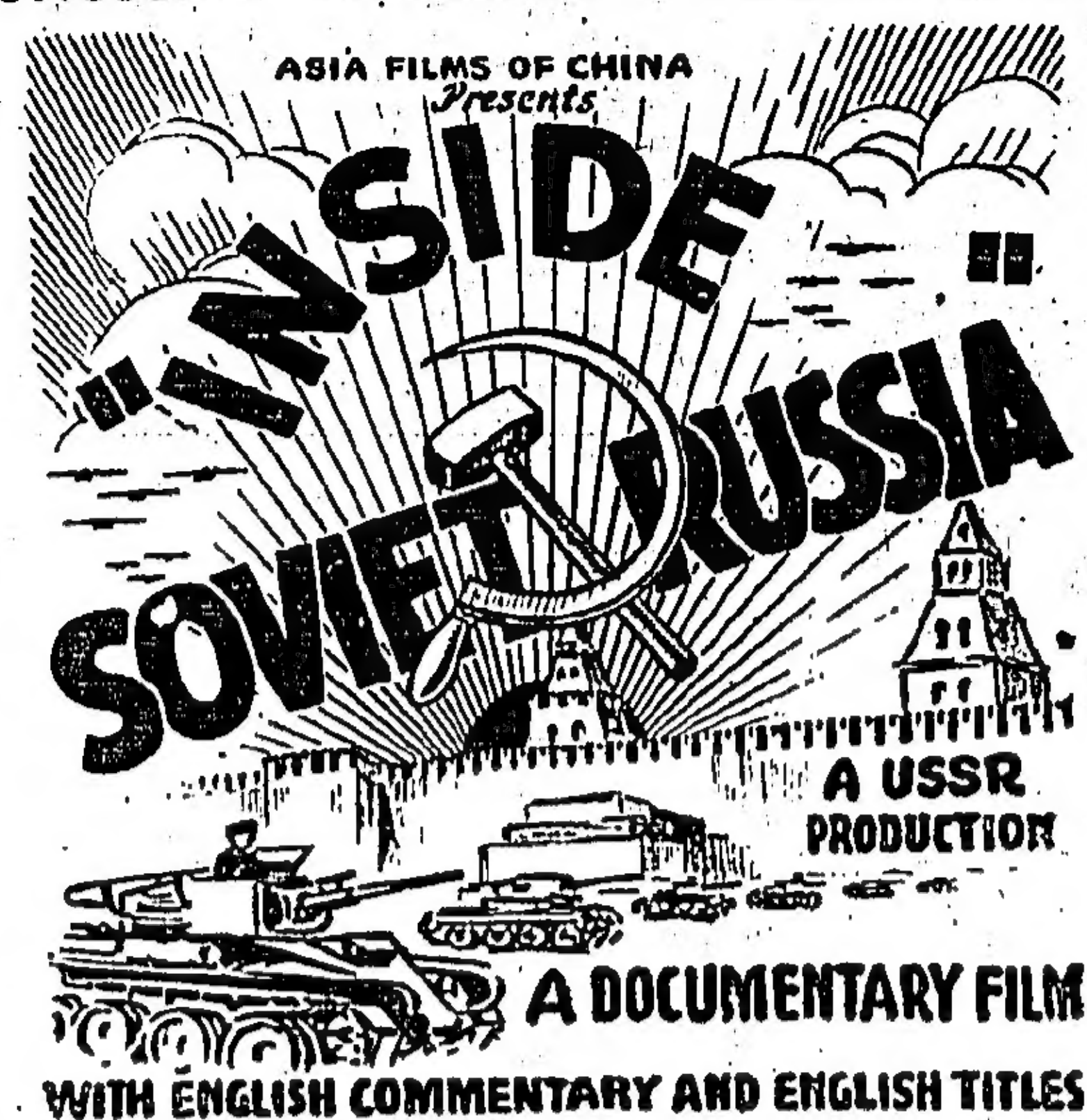
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WHITEAWAY'S

American Coastguard Ships And Planes Rush To Aid Torpedoed Steamer

U.S. NEUTRAL ZONE "RAID" BY U-BOAT

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Nov. 1 (UP).—It is feared that the British steamer **Coulmore** (3,670 tons) has been sunk. The **Coulmore** is registered at Glasgow and was built in 1936 by the **Ayrshire Dockyard Co., Ltd.**, at Irvine.

The owners are the **Carslogie Steamship Co., Ltd.**, the manager for whom are **Honeyman and Company**.

CUTTERS RACE TO RESCUE

Six coastguard cutters and two seaplanes to-day raced to the scene of the attack, 680 miles east of New York. The first arrival found no traces of the vessel but the search is continuing in heavy seas.

An S.O.S. message indicated that the **Coulmore** was the victim of a U-Boat attack, but British naval authorities are discussing the possibility of a German surface raider.

In the meantime United States ships are trying not only to save the crew of 34 but also to obtain all possible information on operations in this particular area. All possible rescue ships have been mobilised.

INSIDE NEUTRALITY ZONE

If the **Coulmore** reported her position correctly the attack occurred inside the neutrality zone proclaimed by the Declaration of Panama.

The coastguard vessel **George M. Bibb** has reported that a moderate southerly gale is blowing, and that the coastguard cutters **Campbell**, **Chelan**, **Argo**, **Hamilton** and **Duane** are en route to the scene.

The Navy Department has also announced that destroyers and naval planes are co-operating in the search.

The Mackay Radio has intercepted a short wave message from station **GKT** at Porthead, England saying there had been an "enemy submarine attack" about 160 miles east of Madeira and 230 miles west of the French Moroccan coastline.

DUMBARTON SHIP SUNK

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—The British 4,000 ton steamer, **Bronte**, has been sunk by a sub-marine in the Atlantic.

The crew of 40 and the one passenger she carried were landed in a British port.

RATIONING AT HOME

Butter And Bacon To Be Included

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Nov. 1 (UP).—Mr. William Morrison, the Food Minister, has announced that rationing of bacon and butter will begin about mid-December.

Each commodity will be rationed to four ounces per week per person "provided imports continue at the present rate, as we have good reason to think."

Both bacon and butter are perishable and unsuitable for storage, consequently there was no Government reserve when war started. It is expected, said Mr. Morrison, that supplies will increase later but at present imports from European sources have been reduced and there has been no time to fill the gap from more distant sources.

No Sugar Rationing
Sugar will not be rationed as there are sufficient supplies to meet normal requirements, but the public would restrict their purchases to one pound per week per person, there would be sufficient for some months.

Consumers will register for sugar but will not use ration books, thus enabling the Food Ministry to ascertain the necessary distribution without actual rationing.
Meat will be rationed but "supplies in sight for the future are ample to meet all reasonable requirements for both the Services and the civilian population," Mr. Morrison said, and urged housewives throughout Britain to do their utmost to conserve food-stuffs.

Finnish Delegation Due In Moscow

MOSCOW, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—The Finnish delegation is expected here tomorrow.

The attack occurred some days ago. It is understood that **Bronte** remained afloat for a considerable time. Another vessel tried to tow her to port.

The only passenger was a 71-year-old inventor. The **Bronte**, owned by the **Lampart, Holt Line Ltd.**, and registered at Liverpool, was built in 1910 by Messrs. A. McMillan and Son, Ltd., at Dumbarton. She had a gross tonnage of 5,137 tons.

How Air Force Is Prepared

Remarkable Tests Of Machines Over France

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter's War Service).—Bronzed pilots and crews from Britain and the Dominions are daily carrying out attacks on their own aerodromes in France, says "Reuter's" special correspondent with the Air Force in France.

They are keeping in training for the destruction, when ordered, of Nazi aerodromes. In anticipation of such an extensive and highly-successful reconnaissance was carried out over the aerodromes in Northern Germany this week.

"Reuter's" correspondent witnessed to-day a low-flying bombing attack by the aircraft of one squadron whose motto "We Sweep the Enemy from the Skies" is symbolised by a broom hung outside the operation tent. It took them only 19 seconds to reach their objectives, representing a machine gun post, bomb dump and a line of grounded planes, while momentarily varying their height and direction in order to avoid imaginary enemy machine-gun fire.

OUR SMILING QUEEN



THE EMPIRE'S beautiful and gracious Queen photographed as she recently visited the Red Cross depot in London. Her Majesty is aiding Red Cross workers to make bandages at the depot.

SWISS PRECAUTIONS

BERNE, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—The possibility of the occupation of a part of Swiss territory by an invader is taken account in two decrees just promulgated.

The first informs the population of their rights and obligations in such an event, and the second deals with the juridical aspect of the transfer of industrial and commercial undertakings situated near the frontier.

The decrees, without being alarming, are nevertheless regarded as significant.

RALLY OF AN EMPIRE

BELOW are two "Reuter" stories received in Hongkong this morning. They tell of the magnificent effort of an Empire rallying to its Motherland.
No other Empire in the history of the world has proved so closely knit as has the British Empire in the difficult times through which it is passing to-day.

AUSTRALIA

MANPOWER, MATERIALS

Gigantic Effort By Commonwealth

SYDNEY, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—In addition to the expansion of the Australian naval construction, the Commonwealth Government has offered to arrange for the construction on behalf of the British Government if desired.

Mr. R. G. Menzies, the Australian Prime Minister, announced that speedy and powerful merchant ships would be chartered and armed heavily enough to deal with enemy armed merchantmen and destroyers. Some of these might be for the Australian Navy and others for the British Admiralty.

Defensive guns would be mounted on 60 merchantmen. The personnel of the Australian Navy now numbered 10,000.

A.I.F. For Overseas

Mr. Menzies also announced that a second Australian Imperial Force of 20,000 men, which the Government had decided to raise, would be sent abroad when trained, unless circumstances rendered it impracticable.
In addition to the total order for 100 Lockheed aeroplanes from

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CANADA

BRITAIN'S ARSENAL

Victory May Shape On Dominion's Soil

OTTAWA, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—In a broadcast on Canada's war effort, Mr. Mackenzie King, the Prime Minister, said that the Air Training Scheme was the Dominions' most important military development.

It might well be that final victory would be shaped on Canadian soil.

Canada was also sending men over for front line action. Canada's own army, navy and air force were protecting her shores. Canadian warships were taking part in the Atlantic convoy system, and so far no ships leaving Canada under convoy had been lost.

Economic Contribution
Canada's most important part in the war might be her economic contribution.

Besides being the traditional granary, she also might be Britain's arsenal. Thanks to the preparations before the war, Canada's industrial and agricultural resources were easily mobilised.

The crucial moment found her ready.

SPECIAL COMMENTARY ON THE WAR

Soviet's 'No' To Nazi Military Ambitions

Brilliant Convoy Successes

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—To-day's special commentary on the war situation says that military circles in London emphasise the significant absence in M. Molotov's speech of any promise of military assistance for Germany.

M. Molotov's reiteration that Russia is neutral towards the Allies, but claiming a free hand in foreign policy, suggests a Russian refusal to be tied to German ambitions, probably because of a settled policy of assisting China.

Convoy Success

The extent of the development of the British convoy system is illustrated by the fact that nearly 2,500 Allied merchant vessels have already been convoyed.

The efficiency of the system is proved by the reduction in merchant ship losses since the first week of the war, and the fact that to date only eight ships in convoy, or one in 200, have been lost. Three of these losses were on the same convoy.

The efficiency of the convoy system does not argue any shortage of escorting vessels. The large force of these ships have already been enormously increased since the outbreak of the war.

Elimination Of Raiders

The most efficacious method of the defence of maritime trade remains the destruction of attacking enemy forces. The British anti-submarine force is considerable in strength and efficiency, proved not only by the heavy submarine losses incurred by Germany, but also by the fact that German submarines are forced to cruise increasingly far away from the focal areas of trade. The numbers of submarines inflicting serious damage are thus greatly reduced.

The statement by the German High Command that the campaign against British merchant shipping is proceeding "according to plan" is not borne out by the facts that in two months, sinkings amount to less than one per cent of British shipping coming to and from our ports, and thus the loss is almost entirely counter-balanced by new construction and by German merchantmen captured when compelled to leave neutral ports where they are sheltering owing to lack of money to pay harbour dues.

Germany Explains

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BERLIN, Nov. 1 (UP).—The "great" Molotov speech, as several newspapers refer to it, was warmly greeted throughout the German press as a new and unequivocal substantiation of Russo-German solidarity.
The fact that Molotov has not announced any military alliance or mutual assistance, as some quarters feared, is explained here by the statement, "Germany can take care of her enemies herself."
The newspaper "Nachtausgabe" says: "France and England will seek to console themselves with the fact PLEASE Turn To Page 5.

British Steamer Raided In 'Shai

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SHANGHAI, Nov. 1 (UP).—Chinese Customs officers to-day raided a British steamer here, the name of which cannot be disclosed, and discovered 103 gold bars estimated to be worth 400,000 yuan hidden in the engine room.
The steamer has been confiscated due to the law prohibiting private parties from exporting bullion.
Shipping circles here believe that the steamer was carrying gold for the Chinese government, which has been hoarding the bars in Shanghai.

REACTIONS TO THE SPEECH

NATURE OF ULTIMATUM

Specific Threat To Scandinavians

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

STOCKHOLM, Nov. 1 (UP).—M. Molotov's "revelations" were surprising, in the opinion of the Swedish people, who regarded them as "moderate" only in Russia's own opinion.

Red naval bases opposite Baltic ports are considered here as a threat, not only to Finland but to all Scandinavia.

The only mitigation seen in the speech is the one referring to the naval bases, which is slightly more moderate than the other demands. Russian methods are also criticized in the press, which expects that the negotiations with Finland will now reach a deadlock.

Aid For Finland

There is a strong current sympathy in Sweden for active help towards Finland.

One newspaper expresses the opinion that M. Molotov's reference to Finland is directed specifically against Sweden.

The newspaper concludes by saying, "If Molotov is trying to place a wedge between the Scandinavian countries, his effort is doomed to failure."

"Not even a great nation, such as the Soviets, can dictate what is what to a weaker nation if that nation is determined to stand on its own liberty and independence."

There is only one chief subject in the newspapers throughout Scandinavia, and that is Molotov's speech, featured with front page articles with maps detailing the Soviet demands.

Swedes Increasing Naval Strength

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
STOCKHOLM, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—The Riksdag has voted credits totalling 21,250,000 for the immediate construction of one destroyer and 18 mine-sweepers.

HOLLAND PREPARES

State Of Siege In Certain Areas

SPECIAL WAR SERVICE

THE HAGUE, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—A state of siege will be proclaimed shortly in some districts and Holland will place executive powers entirely in the hands of the military authorities.

The measure, which was announced by the Prime Minister in the Lower Chamber and which applies to certain frontier and "inundation" territories, is to be introduced in view of Holland's defence programme.

It will be recalled that similar action was taken in 1914. It is not intended to place any further restrictions on the Press.

Ready To Flood Areas

SPECIAL WAR SERVICE
PARIS, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—It is unofficially reported that the Dutch have already released a quantity of water in the areas to be flooded in the event of an attack.

Diplomat Returning

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—Herr Schulenburg, the German Ambassador to Moscow, is leaving for Berlin tomorrow. He will be staying for several days, announces the German Press Agency.

AMERICA

MOLOTOFF REBUKED

U.S. Suspicious Of His Criticism

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1 (UP).—Mr. Stephen Early, Secretary to the White House, today charged that the Soviet Foreign Minister's criticism of President Roosevelt's neutrality policy was timed to coincide with the important House of Representatives vote on the United States Neutrality Bill.

He said the United States is curious as to the reason for M. Molotov's criticism and that it is considered open to question whether it is purely coincidental that M. Molotov should choose to make such an important speech at a time when the House is voting.

"It would seem to me that he had the arms embargo in mind, rather more than what he termed the President's moral support for Finland. The embargo is strictly a matter for the Congress of the United States to decide," Mr. Early said.

He added that he did not know whether President Roosevelt has yet read M. Molotov's speech.

Question Of Timing

WASHINGTON, NOV. 1 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt's secretary, in a statement to-day questioned whether it was purely coincidental that M. Molotov criticised the President at a time when an important vote was scheduled in Washington on the Neutrality Legislation.

He added: "I think personally that the decision to speak and to give the first revelations on the points being discussed between Finland and the U.S.S.R., whether by coincidence or not, seems worth considering as a question of timing."

LATEST

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Further Late News

Nazi Leaflet Raid Fails

Warm Welcome From French A.A. Guns

BRUSSELS, Nov. 1 (Reuter's War Service).—French anti-aircraft batteries warmly welcomed German aeroplanes making a leaflet raid, states the Luxembourg correspondent of the "Libre Belgique."

This correspondent added that the machines were forced to fly so high that the leaflets which were scattered did not reach the ground. The fire for about half an hour was very intense.

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Amoy and Amoy only for Shanghai 8.30 a.m.
Sandakan 8.30 a.m.
Manila 9.30 a.m.
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Reg. Nov. 3, 5 p.m.
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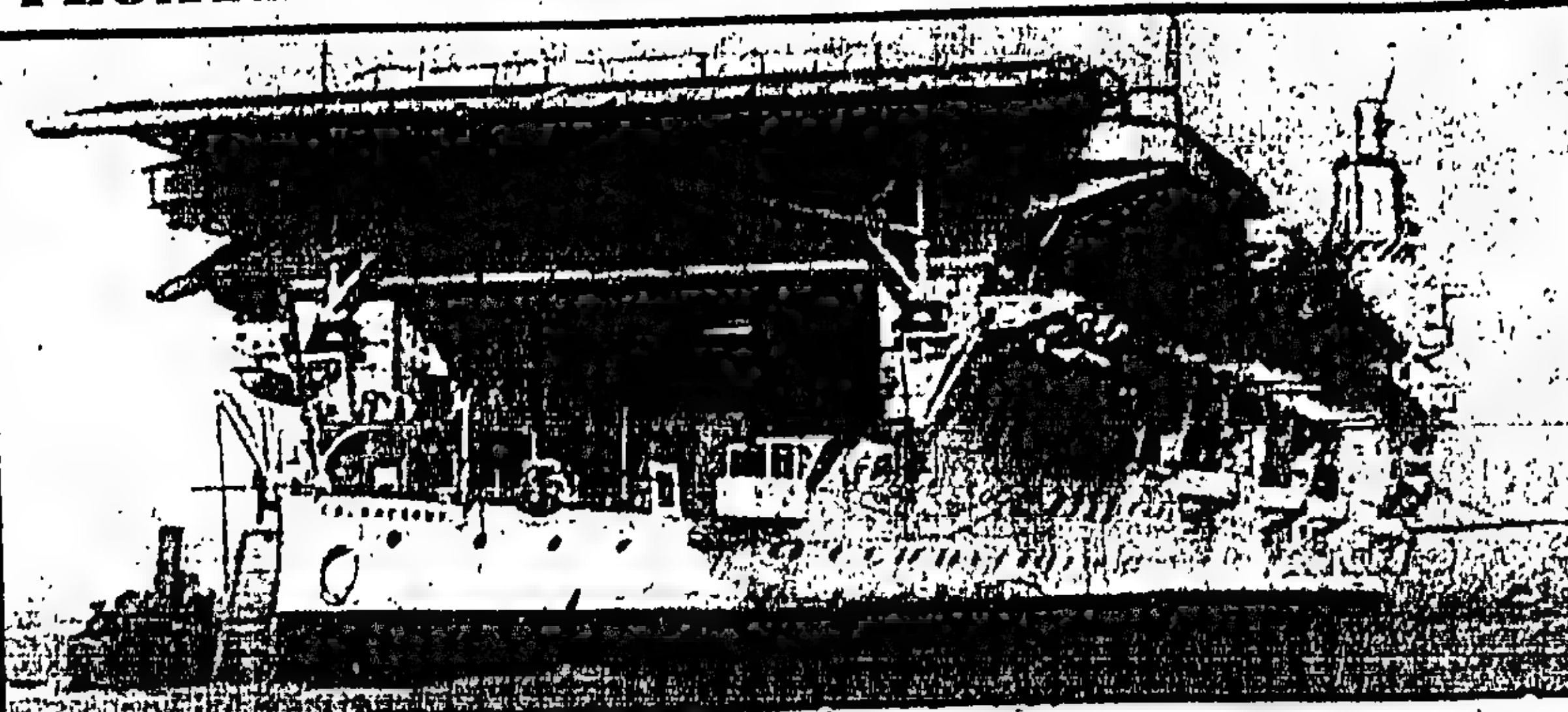
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FLOATING AERODROME THAT WAS SUNK



THIS VIEW of H.M.S. Courageous gives an idea of the storage space for planes.

SHIP WAS PLANNED FOR "BALTIC ARMADA"

By a Naval Correspondent

H.M.S. COURAGEOUS was a ship which had two distinct careers, with a war in each.

She was originally planned by Admiral of the Fleet Lord Fisher as part of his projected "Baltic Armada" in 1915.

This force was to break through into the Baltic and land a force in North Germany. The protecting vessels were to have the heaviest possible guns and the highest possible speed.

"Outrageous" Class
Since it was also essential that the ship should be navigable in shallow water, something had to go.

What went was protection. These ships of nearly 20,000 tons had the protective plating of the smallest type of cruiser.

Fisher's great scheme never materialised and his successors at the Admiralty were left with three "cruisers" on their hands—the "outrageous class" they were promptly named.

Two were completed as planned—the Courageous and Glorious. They joined the Grand Fleet in 1917 and were employed mainly on convoy and reconnaissance work.

Their 18-in. guns—each carried four—were too big for their light framing, and gave constant trouble.

But in one respect the ships were a triumph—success—they were the fastest things afloat in all weathers.

In March, 1918, the Courageous was sent on a special mission to the United States. She crossed the Atlantic in three and a-half days, returning at the same speed.

The third ship of the trio—the Furious—never joined the Fleet as a cruiser.

She had been designed to mount two 18-inch guns, the heaviest ever mounted in a warship, but as she came out of the builders' hands only the after gun was mounted.

The other was replaced by a flying-deck, making the ship the Navy's first true aircraft-carrier.

Later the other 18-inch gun was removed and another flying-deck added.

Expensive Ships
After the war, the three ships lay in reserve for some years. Then, in 1924, they were put in hand to become a class of large aircraft carriers.

The amount of reconstruction can be gauged from the fact that it cost as much per vessel as the original building figure.

Each of the three absorbed, from first to last, about £25,000,000.

Airman's 'Mad Chase Over The Tree-Tops'

IN the news to-day are three British airmen driven down and captured in Westphalia "after the maddest chase you can imagine," and two German survivors of a bomber driven ashore on the Yorkshire coast after drifting about in a collapsible boat for two days. Here are their stories:

NEWS of the British airmen's attempted escape is given by a young German airman in an interview in a West German newspaper. He stated:

"I am very glad that the courageous airmen who behaved in such a chivalrous manner have fallen into our hands unharmed. For their non-voluntary achievement the British fliers deserve great respect which no German airman can deny to them."

"Clever Flier"
When the British plane burst into flames as it came down in a potato field the three men were able to jump out in time.

Describing the chase, the German airman said:

"It was the maddest chase you can imagine. The English pilot was a clever, skilful and resourceful flier, who took advantage of every bit of the landscape in his attempt to escape."

"But I was just behind him all the time. The English pilot rushed between trees, and several times I thought he would take off the roofs of the houses."

"Sometimes during this mad chase we were only about six feet above the ground."

Clasped Hands
"Finally I had the machine just where I wanted it. I saw how the pilot set the plane on the ground and how the three men sprang out of the burning machine."

"I flew some distance away and then circled above the men. Looking upward from the ground, they greeted me and clasped their hands together as though they would shake my hand because of the chivalrous fight which we had just finished."

THE two Germans had been shot down over the North Sea. Two of their companions had been killed.

Paddling their collapsible rubber boat with their hands, they landed near Whitby, and were captured by a railway special constable.

This was the account of the capture given by George Thomas, the officer concerned.

"I was about 200 yards from Sandness Tunnel when I saw a young man (he is 24) standing at the entrance."

"As I approached, the man ran away and tried to climb some railings, but I caught him."

Carried To Cliff Top
"Speaking broken English, he said that he and his companion were survivors of a plane crew of four. Two other occupants of the plane were shot and died when the plane came down in the sea."

Thomas took the airman to Sandness Station and police officers went for the other man, using the collapsible boat as a stretcher to carry him to the top of the cliff.

The collapsible boat was fitted with life-saving and signalling apparatus.

As he slipped a hot drink at Sandness the wounded man said: "Don't send us back to Germany. Keep us here. We don't wish to return."

The fliers were given a meal as quickly as possible. They said it was the first food they had had since leaving their base.

Later, they were taken to Whitby Cottage Hospital and the matron said: "They are both getting on nicely and are not seriously ill. They are suffering from exposure."

'Laughing Gas' Given To Patient by Mistake

DR. M. D. MESSANT, an anaesthetist at the Samaritan Hospital, Marlborough-road, N.W., said at a Paddington inquest recently that he "must have made a mistake" while changing cylinders on the hospital's anaesthetic apparatus.

As a result, it was revealed, nitrous oxide ("laughing gas") was administered during an operation in mistake for oxygen. The patient, Mrs. Emily June Flower, forty-five-year-old housekeeper in a Park-lane flat, died.

Mr. Ingleby Odell, the coroner, said: "No one is infallible. The error is apt to make mistakes at times. I cannot seriously blame either of the anaesthetists."

Verdict: "Death by misadventure."

NEWS BY LATEST AIR MAIL

FULL STORY OF THE ROYAL OAK TRAGEDY

MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL, First Lord of the Admiralty, told Britain last month the story of an astonishing feat by a U-boat commander who penetrated the defences of Scapa Flow and sank the British battleship Royal Oak while she was at anchor in the harbour.

Mr. Churchill also gave a heartening picture showing the successful war being waged in overcoming the U-boat menace.

He revealed that from one-third to one-quarter of the total U-boat fleet of Germany has already been destroyed, and that the continuation of such losses could not be endured.

Mr. Churchill, who made his statement in the Commons, said: The battleship Royal Oak was sunk at anchor by a U-boat in Scapa Flow, approximately at 1.30 a.m. last Saturday. It is still a matter of conjecture how the U-boat penetrated the defences of the harbour.

When we consider that during the whole course of the last war this anchorage was found to be impregnable from such attacks, on account of the obstacles imposed by the currents and the net barriers, this entry by a U-boat must be considered as a remarkable exploit of professional skill and daring.

A Board of Inquiry is now sitting at Scapa Flow to report upon all that occurred, and anything that I must be subject to revision in the light of their conclusions. It appears probable that the U-boat fired a salvo of torpedoes at the Royal Oak, of which one only hit the bow. This hit, at the extreme end of the harbour, and therefore, many officers and men were drowned before a rescue could be organised from other vessels. The lists of survivors have already been made public, and I deeply regret to inform the House that upwards of 800 officers and men have lost their lives.

The Admiralty immediately announced the loss of this one ship. Serious as this loss is, it does not affect the margin of security in heavy vessels, which remains ample.

Meanwhile, an intensive search of the anchorage has not yet yielded any results. It is clear, however, that after a certain time the harbour can be pronounced clear, as any U-boat would have to rise to the surface for air or perish.

All necessary measures are being taken to increase the precautions which in the late war proved effective.

For the rest, I must await the report of the board which is now examining the events in full technical detail.

Towards the end of last week the U-boat warfare, which had for a fortnight been mainly directed upon neutrals, became again intensified. Four ships, including two French ships, were sunk upon the Western approaches during Saturday and Sunday, and three others were attacked, but made their escape.

The British ships sunk aggregated 13,000 tons. On the other hand, it should not be supposed that all the losses are upon one side.

U-BOATS DESTROYED
The Admiralty have hitherto refrained from giving the figures of the slaughter of U-boats which have been proceeding, and is still proceeding with increasing severity.

On Friday last, for instance, four U-boats were certainly destroyed, including two of the largest and latest ocean-going U-boats in the German Navy.

Nothing like this rate of destruction was attained at any moment in the last war. During the last week for which I can give figures, that is to say, to the end of the sixth week of the war, seven U-boats were sunk, and we look back over the whole period of six weeks since the war began, we may estimate that 13 U-boats have been sunk, that five have been seriously damaged and possibly sunk, and several others damaged.



Fleet Air Arm pilots aboard H.M.S. Courageous, waiting to take up planes—a photograph taken earlier this year.

Graphic Story By Ship's Boy

THE full story of the end of the Royal Oak—sunk at anchor by the most daring U-boat feat of the war, it was revealed by Mr. Churchill in the House of Commons—was told by a boy survivor, 18-years-old Vincent Marchant, of Doncaster.

There were four explosions. Marchant, now in hospital, dived into the water and swam about with hundreds of men in a sea of oil, until he hit a rock—then dashed and half-conscious he climbed a cliff to safety.

Searchlights picked out "the hundreds of men bobbing about in the water." Marchant saw friends who had been swimming beside him "get pulled under the surface and so went for the last time."

Marchant was asleep in his hammock when the first explosion rocked the ship.

"I ran to the upper deck to see what had happened. Twenty minutes later there was a second explosion, followed by a third—then a fourth."

"By that time the ship was listing. She was sinking rapidly. I remembered what happened in the 'Courageous.' So I stripped myself of all my clothing and tying my safety belt around my waist dived into the water."

"Hundreds Of Heads"
"Searchlights were playing over the surface and I could see hundreds of heads bobbing around. Great volumes of oil started to belch up to the surface."

"My eyes started to smart, and the faces of all the men swimming in the water turned a greasy black. I was caught in a searchlight for several minutes and saw that two of my pals were swimming alongside me. They had cramp and disappeared."

"I swam and swam for I don't know how long, but I must have gone about a mile and a half when I felt the rock under my foot but it wasn't there. I was alone."

"I scarcely remember what happened after that. It was like a nightmare. I have just a vague recollection of climbing up the sheer face of a cliff about 20ft. to 30ft. high."

"Some time later—I should say about half an hour—six men arrived with restoratives. They wrapped me in a blanket and took me to an hotel in the town near by."

These figures are probably an under-statement. Besides this, two-thirds of the U-boats which have been out raiding have suffered attack from depth charges.

The French Navy, who are powerful and in the highest state of efficiency, have also been active and have certainly taken their toll but it is not for me to give figures upon this subject.

SURVIVORS FROM CREWS
We believe, therefore, that out of about 60 U-boats ready for action at the beginning of the war, about one-third have already been sunk or seriously damaged, and of the largest and latest ocean-going U-boats, the proportion is at least one-fifth.

The U-boat fleet of Germany has been destroyed and the gaps made in the skilled officers and crews cannot be speedily replaced.

During the same period we have captured from the enemy 28,000 tons, and have been refreshed by the arrival of new ships amounting to 104,000 tons.

It will be seen, therefore, that while our Mercantile Marine remains practically unaffected by the U-boat warfare, losses have been inflicted upon the enemy which, if continued, could certainly not be endured.

I cannot close my examination of the first phase of this severe sea struggle without inviting the House to realise the intensity of the efforts and devotion which has been required from all the ever-increasing hunting craft and from those engaged upon convoy, not only in narrow waters, but amid the storms of the ocean, and the constancy of the merchant officers and seamen who face all the hazards with buoyant and confident determination.

I feel we may commend this part of our war business with some confidence to the House.

Mr. Alexander (Soc., Hillsborough) said: May we, on this side of the House, join in the tribute to the personnel of the Royal Navy and the Mercantile Marine and add our very deep sympathy with the relatives of those who have lost their lives in the sinking of the Royal Oak?

SCAPA FLOW DEFENCE
May I ask Mr. Churchill whether he is aware that the circumstances which he has just reported are very disturbing and that, perhaps, we ought to know whether, at the outbreak of the war, there was or was not a systematic survey carried out of the harbour approaches to ensure that it remained a safe anchorage? Can we be assured now that during the whole period since that survey there have been maintained properly at all times the boom defence required?

Mr. Churchill: Yes and, of course, these are not the old defences from the last war that have been placed in position, but there is the inquiry sitting, which will not take very long, and I should like to have the advantage of reading the report before I go into details of this kind.

Sir Archibald Southby (Con., Epsom): Was the German submarine actually sighted inside Scapa Flow? As soon as the report is received will the First Lord give as much information from the report as is consistent with national safety?

Mr. Churchill: I did not say the U-boat was sighted inside Scapa Flow, but I have given the information which is in our possession. When the inquiry is completed I shall be very glad to answer some other questions if they would add to the information of the House.

Wants Recall Of Diplomat
U.S. Congressman Is Incensed By Soviets

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—There were heated discussions in the House of Representatives to-day following a demand by Mr. McCormack, during the debate on the Neutrality Bill, that the U.S. Ambassador in Moscow should be recalled owing to M. Molotov's criticisms of President Roosevelt.

The Republican, Mr. Hamilton Fish, described the demand as "most warlike speech since we declared war in 1917."

The Choice
Mr. McCormack replied that as Americans they should put their country in a position, not of helping anti-God forces, but of helping those standing for Christianity and Democracy.

The main theme of the opponents to the repeal of the Arms Embargo was that retaliation might help to end the war in Europe, whereas repeal in the words of the Republican, Mr. Barton, might be the signal to "start a real war—the stupidest, cock-eyed war in history."

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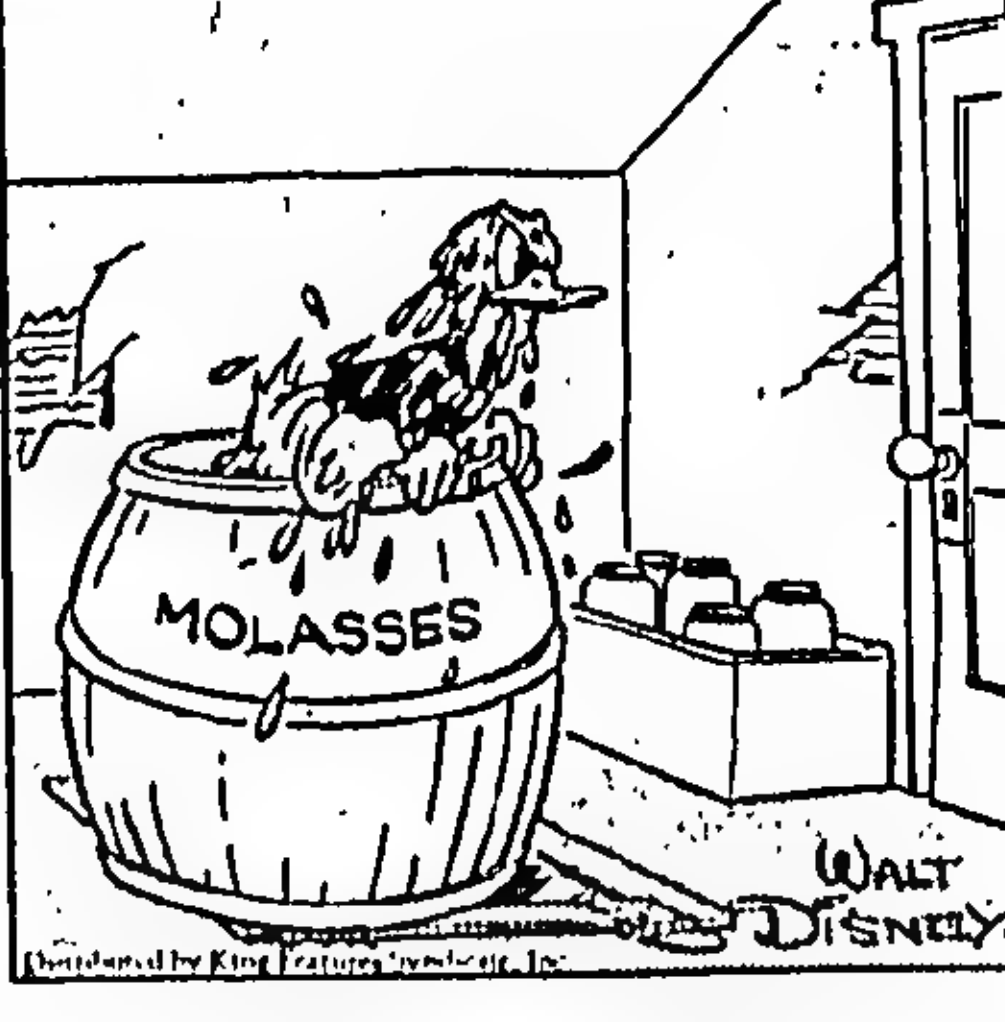
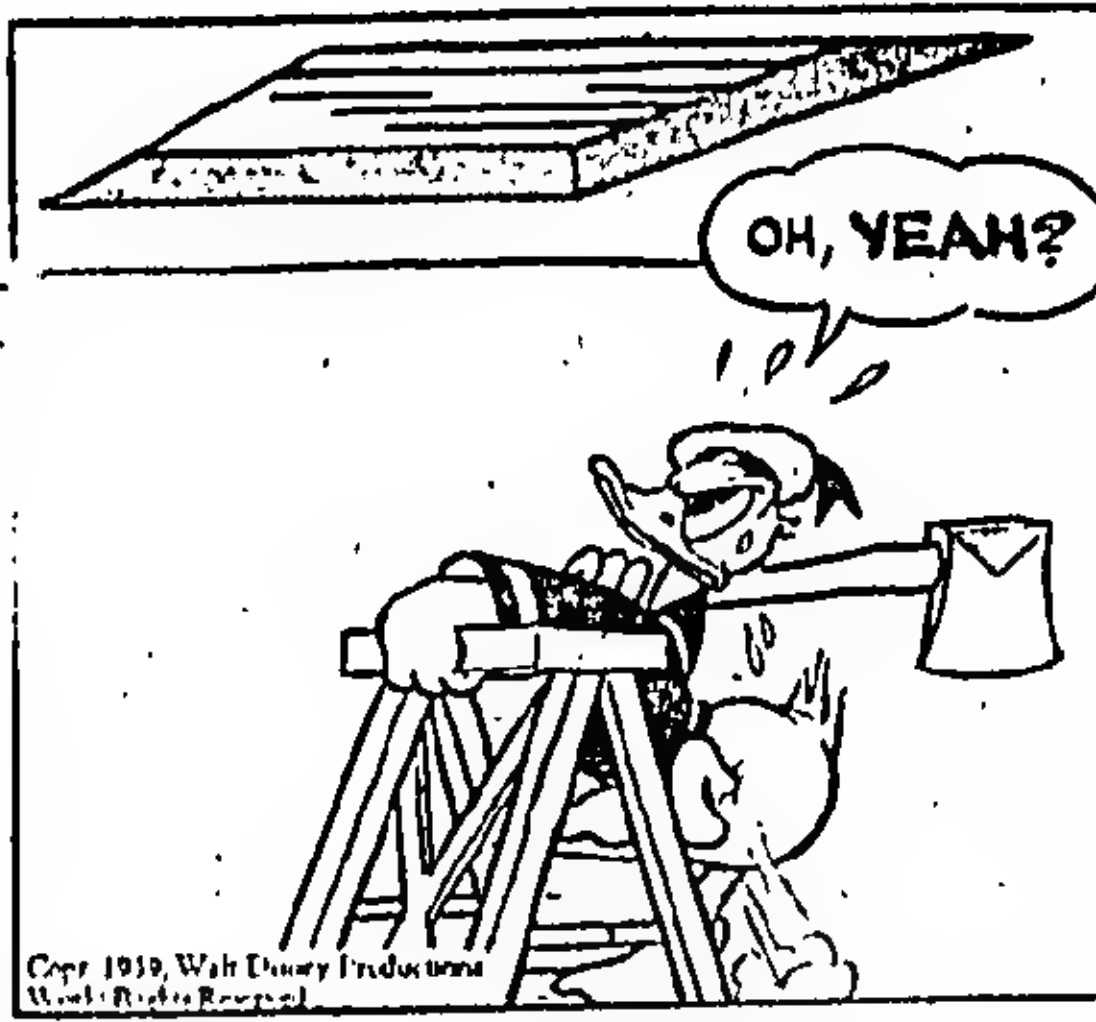
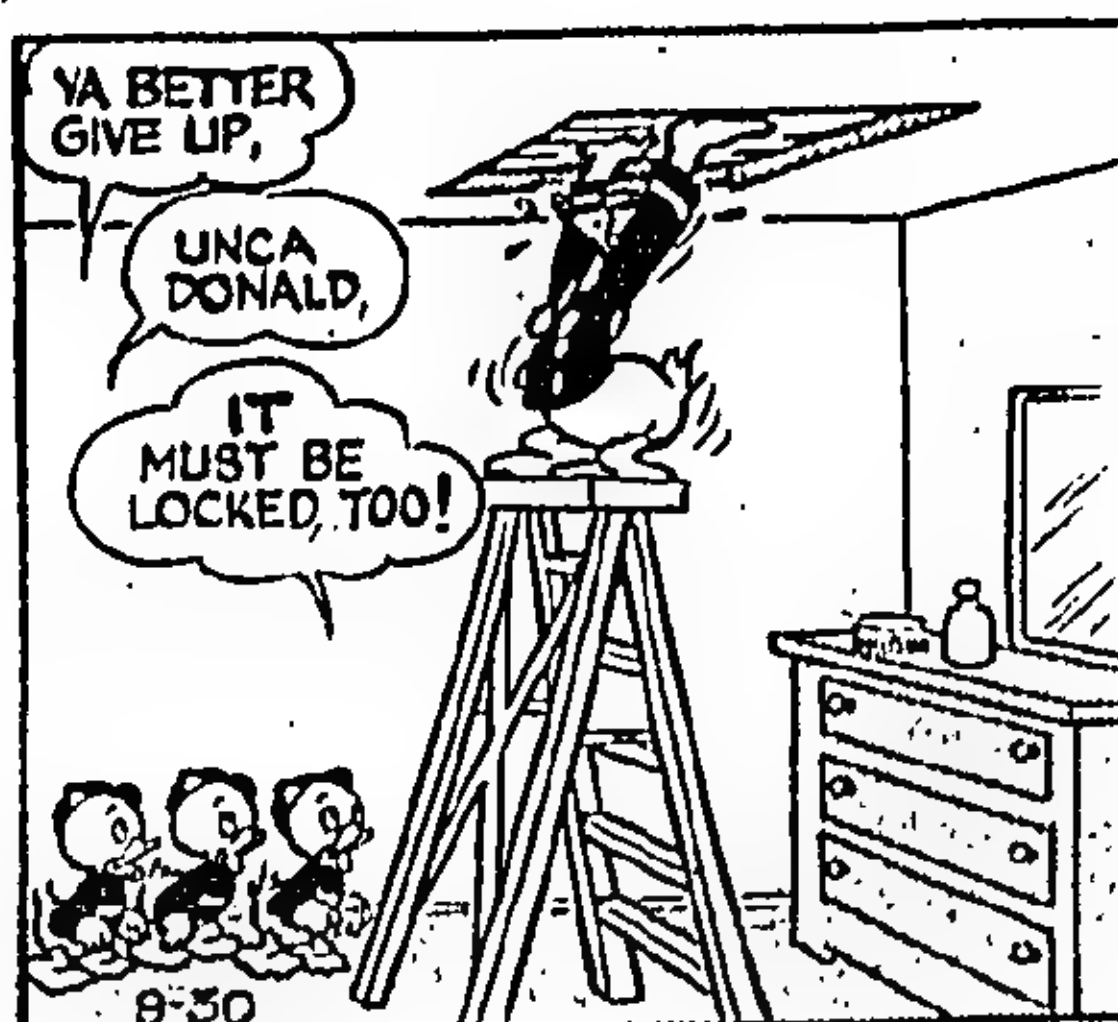
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Hitler's Fat Air Chief Admits That He — RAN FROM HIS BED AT FALSE ALARM

FIELD-MARSHAL GÖRING, HITLER'S FAT DEPUTY, ADMITS THAT WHEN THE R.A.F. DROPPED PAMPHLETS ON GERMANY HE GOT OUT OF BED AND RAN FOR IT.

He was broadcasting to armament workers, telling them that they ate too much meat and must get out of the habit. He was annoyed with Britain for spoiling his sleep, and went on to say:

"If British aeroplanes fly at tremendous height and drop their ridiculous propaganda on German territory, I have nothing against it. But take care if the leaflets are replaced by one bomb. Then reprisals will follow, carried out as in Poland."

If listening to foreign radio stations was heavily punished, it is not because Germany feared them, but because it was dishonourable to listen to the dirty tirades of foreign countries.

Worse Things To Come

Then, says Reuter, Goring told Germany's resources. He said: "It is plain we must deny ourselves. Many things we produce must be given up in war, but 1918 will never be repeated."

"There are many things that will get worse."

"There is the question of substitute materials. A suit of substitute material is not so good as a real one, especially since we have made the latest fibre from potato plant. But,

if it is necessary, we will go about in bathing costumes."

"I know that war soap is not so good as peace soap, and often there is no soap at all."

Later, after referring to Germany's strategic movements on the Eastern front, Goring said:

"You must understand that, at the beginning, everything does not go as well as it should."

"If it still happens that the strains fetch you from your beds because of the overstrung air-warden this will be corrected in time."

"I was myself driven from my bed last night and then it transpired that there were no aeroplanes."

Referring to food, he said: "The most important thing is bread and we have seen to it that there is enough."

Tighter Belts

"We eat too much meat in any case. Statistics show that Germans now eat more meat than before the war, and so we can get out of the habit."

"With less meat we shall get thinner, and so need less material for a suit. That is an advantage."

Goring accused Mr. Chamberlain of breaking peace.

"If you want peace you can have it, Mr. Chamberlain."

"But do not confuse such offers of peace with weakness."

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says: The market continues rather dull, but there are enquiries but negotiations remain difficult.

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1.45 Mozart—Symphony in G Minor, N.B.C. Symphony Orchestra conducted by Arturo Toscanini.

2.15 Close Down.

5.45 Studio—Children's Hour.

6.45 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.47 Dance Music.

7 London Relay—"Brief Interlude" with Ida Sneyd and Elizabeth Welch.

The B.B.C. Variety Orchestra conducted by Mark H. Lubbock.

7.30 The Regimental Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.

7.47 The Gay Nineties Singers.

Pretty Polly Perkins of Paddington Green (Traditional); Hot Coddings (Traditional); The One-Horse Shay (Traditional); Botany Bay (Traditional).

8 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Ivor Novello in "The Dancing Years."

8.22 Lionel Monckton—"A Country Girl"—Selection. London Theatre Orchestra.

8.33 Piano Selections by Raie Da Costa.

8.45 Studio—Talk on "Some Early Recollections" by P. Witham.

9.15 London Relay—The News.

9.30 Saint-Saens—Carnival of the Animals, Leopold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Orchestra.

9.52 Songs by Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone). There's a Bride Hanging On The Wall (Carson Robison); Song of the Grateful Heart (Ord Hamilton); A Sen Chai (Ramon); Life and Death (Coleridge-Taylor).

10.00 Elgar—Concerto in B Minor, Op. 61, Yehudi Menuhin (Violin) and the London Symphony Orchestra conducted by Sir Edward Elgar.

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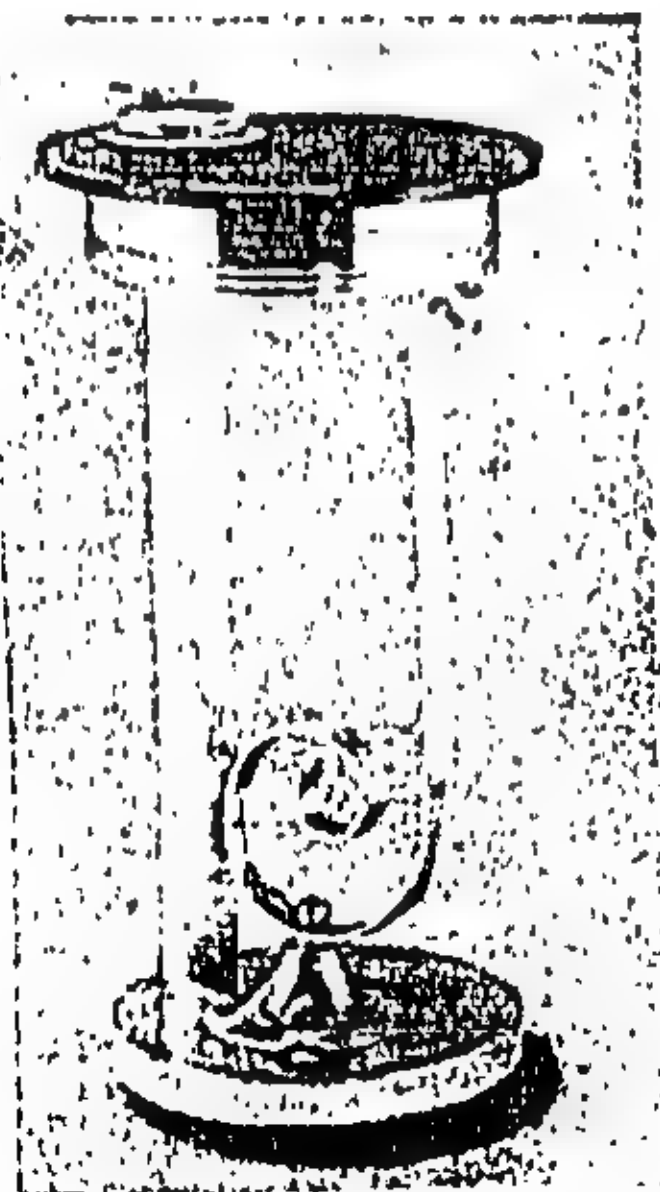
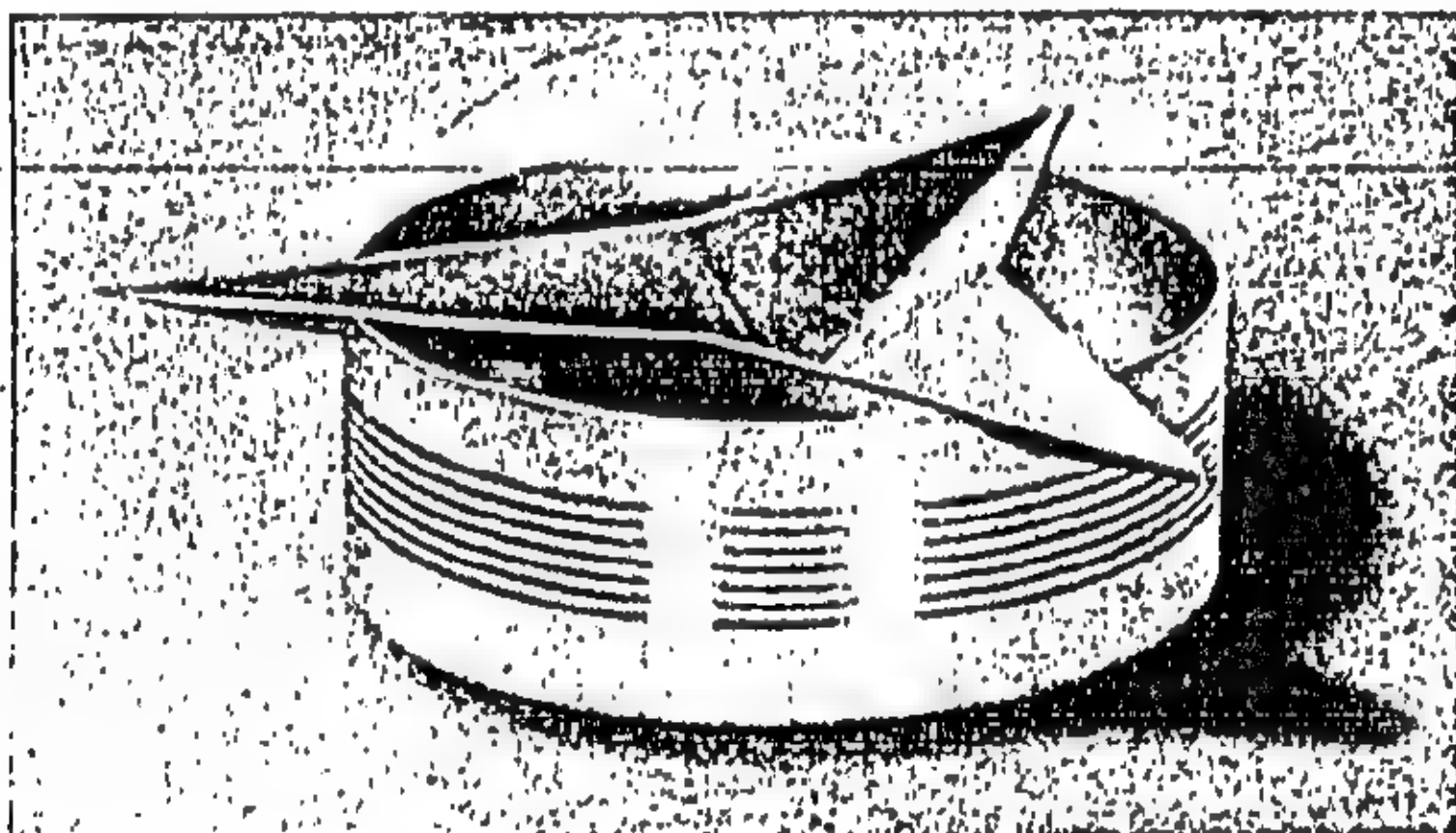
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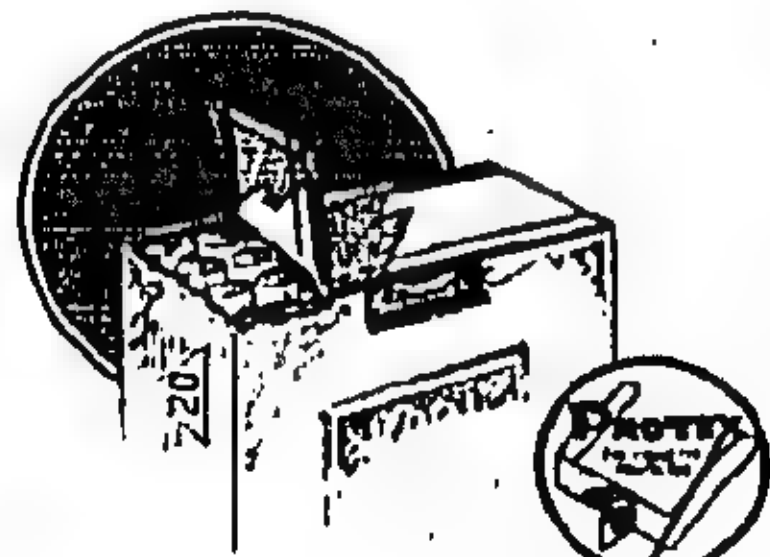
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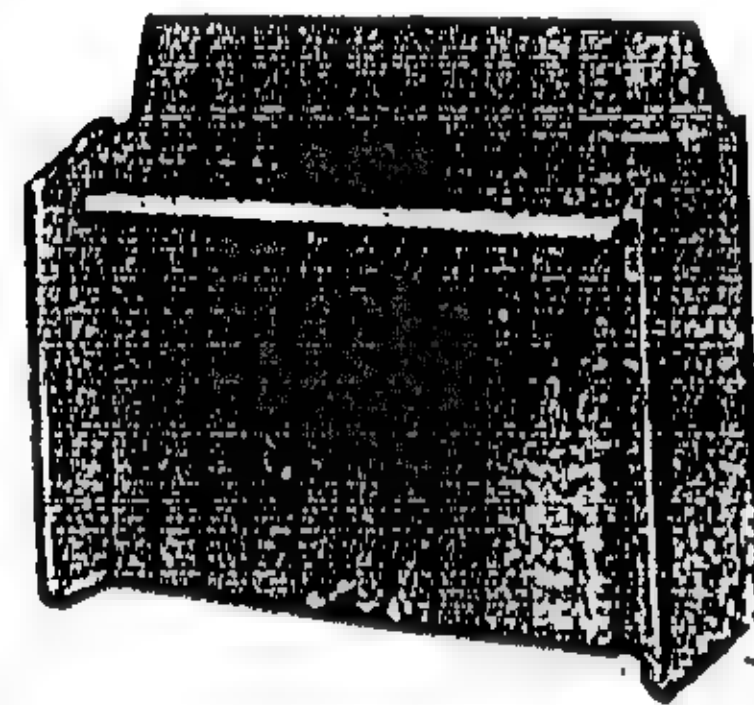
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"Peace" Tactics

AGGRESSION, Monsieur Molotov would have us believe, is no longer aggression once the deed is accomplished.

Germany and Russia having "ennobled" the Polish people, want nothing better than to be left alone with their spoils, and anyone who disturbs them or threatens to wrest back from them the fruits of their aggression himself becomes the aggressor and the aggressor becomes the victim.

It is one of the most fantastic arguments ever perpetrated by a responsible head of Government. Even Hitler himself could hardly be guilty of such fatuousness.

M. Molotov is not the world's most convincing advocate of Herr Hitler. His pleas to-day must strike chords of remembrance—the passionate Soviet advocacy of war against Italy when the Ethiopian adventure was launched; the invitation to France and Britain to join Russia in marching into Czechoslovakia when that country was dismembered.

In fact, M. Molotov is crying peace where there is no peace, but rather diplomacy. He seems willing to appear so naive as to misunderstand the position of Britain and France in the tragedy of the Third Reich's invasion of Poland set in motion. Because Poland has been shattered under the hammer blows of an oligarchy in Berlin, Molotov sees nothing left for the Allies to fight for. He overlooks the fact that the Allies' pledges to Poland were symbols of a determination to stand against that evil which the destruction of Poland also symbolises.

Intentionally or otherwise, Russia is doing Reichsfuhrer Hitler one more favour by thus stacking the diplomatic cards to make a deal in Herr Hitler's favour more moral. For it is not peace M. Molotov asks for. It is a surrender which could be—and probably would be—exploited by the Totalitarian Powers—of which Russia is one—as previous diplomatic surrenders and concessions have been.

M. Molotov's judgment that the Allies have compromised their moral position by continuing the war after Poland collapsed will not be taken very seriously anywhere in the world, coming as it does from the Foreign Minister of a government which has compromised its ideology and its previous assertions of peace-lovingness by its pre-war deal with Hitler.

The second round in the "peace offensive", launched this time by



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Comrades

"And whether one member suffer, all the members suffer with it; or one member be honoured, all the members rejoice with it."—1. CORINTHIANS, XII, 26.

THE Rev. Pat McCormick, vicar of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, stood in the lofty pulpit of his church and spoke of Fellowship.

"In the last war," he said, "we knew the great value of the fellowship which was learned in the trenches. We realised that comradeship which overcame all ranks. And we must do so again, for the sake of our country and the cause for which we are fighting."

The vicar of St. Martin was a chaplain in South Africa and in the last war. He was decorated with the Distinguished Service Order for gallantry, and that Sunday morning he wore two rows of medals, testifying to his long and varied services with the Forces of the Crown.

He addressed a huge congregation which occupied every seat in the broad nave of this famous church, the church which may well be said to be the parish church of London's West End. It was a congregation which was different from the ordinary assembly of people which in days of peace meet below the blue and gold decorated ceiling for Sunday morning prayer.

In every other pew were serving officers and men of all ranks—commanders of the Royal Navy, majors of the General Staff, squadron leaders of the Royal Air Force, ratings, aircraftmen, other ranks.

When the war broke out Pat McCormick was recovering from a severe illness which had kept him in hospital for months. But to-day he is back in his pulpit, carrying on the traditions of the noble Sir Richard Sheppard in endeavouring to bring back the humanity of Christianity to those who pass by.

He selected as his theme the universality of religion in times of distress as expressed by St. Paul. "It would like to impress on you," he continued, "the necessity of working together at this time. We must work together as a Church and as a nation, for we are members of one another."

"There are different forms of fellowship. There is nothing like a time such as this which can help us learn more deeply and quickly the necessity of putting personal differences on one side."

"We have all to make sacrifices all round, no matter what our station. But in that sacrifice remember it is part of the Divine economy that common suffering should not be divorced from common rejoicing."

"For in the darkest hour there is always something to rejoice over. The act of heroic suffering on the one part may be cause for rejoicing on the other. For in this we are all members of one cause."

"In the days to come do not look on the bad things, but remember the many splendid things which are happening around you. Think of the noble sacrifice made by many as part of the day's work. Why only this week there was cause for great rejoicing amid all the present suffering at the simple, matter-of-fact way in which seaplanes picked up survivors of a ship sunk at sea. There was no parade of heroics, although there was great heroism. Keep such things in your minds and it will aid you in taking your part in the fellowship of the Church and the nation."

"Thank God for what your fellow men are doing for what you can do yourself in the common cause."

The Soviet, appears less an offensive for peace than an offensive by "peace". The cry of peace is now just another weapon in the arsenal of dictatorial diplomacy. When real peace is intended the peoples of the world will see that their leaders heed its spokesmen.

How the convoy system operates

BY COMMANDER H. PURSEY

THE introduction, within a few days of the outbreak of war, of the old-time convoy system for the protection of our merchant shipping is a great advance on the tardy steps taken in the Great War, when it was not adopted until after nearly three years of hostilities. Germany's present plan, as was to be expected—with a fleet greatly inferior to our own and the number of her submarines considerably less than at the height of the 1917 U-boat campaign—is to make the greatest use of her "assassins of the sea" while they have the opportunity.

Certain losses on our side are inevitable, but some of our recent casualties have been ships unable to reach a friendly port in time.

IN the last war, for various reasons, the convoy system was not started until after Germany's unrestricted submarine campaign had begun and, indeed, was not in full operation until some months afterwards.

This campaign began in February, 1917, when Germany announced that all ships, of whatever nationality, approaching the British Isles would be liable to attack without warning.

In the following April, the worst month, 430 ships of 822,000 tons were sunk. This was at a greater rate than they could be replaced; while, on the other hand, U-boats were being com-

pleted faster than we were destroying them.

The German success made it manifest that unless something was done, and quickly, to reduce considerably our losses the end of the war in the near future could be predicted with arithmetical precision.

Germany had based her prospects of winning the war on such calculations, but, as with many others of her plans, they were completely upset by the adoption of new measures.

PRACTICE of convoying merchant shipping in times of war was a well-established one even in the days of sailing ships, but there were various technical objections to its being adopted in the first two and a half years of the Great War. Among them were: unavoidable delay in holding up ships awaiting convoy, and the fact that it could only proceed at the speed of the slowest ship; the vast number of ships to be dealt with, and the small number of naval vessels available; the larger size of target—later found to be no disadvantage—and the difficulties of station-keeping with untrained officers. Most of these objections proved themselves to be possible of solution. Delays could be reduced by organisation, and station-keeping improved with training. Experimental convoys were run from North America and Gibraltar with complete success, and the system was extended to the Mediterranean, North Sea and elsewhere, until practically all our shipping was protected in this manner.

The practice was, and is, for ships to

assemble at certain ports of departure. The masters are then informed of the procedure at sea, emphasis being laid on the importance of correct station-keeping, darkening ship, zig-zagging, and the action to be taken in the event of submarine attack.

The formation depends on the number of ships, their positions in columns, and the distance apart of both ships and columns, being arranged to present the smallest target to a submarine and to develop the maximum defensive gunfire.

The naval ocean escort, consisting of cruisers, armed merchant cruisers, escort vessels or destroyers, is stationed around the convoy to ward off any attack.

For further security the whole convoy steers a zig-zag course according to a prearranged plan, which makes it much more difficult for a submarine to make a successful torpedo attack.

Among the advantages of convoy is the fact that a submarine has only one opportunity of attacking ships en masse, instead of striking at each vessel separately, and the escort ships prevent this attack being made from a favourable position.

The sinking of merchant ships by gunfire from a submarine, or by scuttling, frequent occurrences in the early part of the last war, is also stopped.

In the event of a torpedo attack, whether the submarine, or only the path of the torpedo is sighted, her position is known and she is instantly hunted down.

DURING the last war I served in a destroyer employed on such convoy work on the East Coast, and a successful submarine hunt is vividly recalled.

In July, 1918, a convoy was attacked off Whitby by U.B. 110. A motor launch sighted the periscope and immediately dropped a couple of depth charges. Another motor launch rushed in and also dropped her "eggs."

The U-boat's captain ordered a "crash dive," but it was too late. The explosions jammed her hydroplanes to "fix" and brought the submarine to the surface.

H.M. destroyer Garry rushed in at high speed and rammed the submarine twice, causing her to capsize and sink. Thirteen of her crew of 39 were saved. This U-boat was salvaged and taken into Jarrow dock.

ONCE established, the convoy system soon proved a triumphant success. From May, 1917, until the end of the war, 16,539 ships—or over 99 per cent. of the total—were safely escorted.

In the same 36 months only 102 vessels were torpedoed while in convoy, a number less than a quarter of that for April, 1917.

At present we have several advantages as compared with any period of the Great War. Germany has less than half the number of submarines she had in 1917, and of this number, about sixty, 25 are of a small type which will probably restrict them to the North Sea.

On the other hand, as is well known, our anti-submarine devices and destruction measures have made great progress in the last 22 years. Enemy submarines have no defence against our depth-charges or our secret detection apparatus.

For over two years Mercantile Marine officers have been receiving special courses of instruction in the defence measures to be taken in every possible emergency. This year crews have been trained to fight their defensive guns.

Though Germany may carry out a policy of frightfulness, by sinking ships without warning, this policy is doomed to failure from the start. Both the Navy and the Merchant Service have the greatest faith in the organisation and success of the convoy system, and, with the gallantry and devotion to duty of the officers and men, the almost immediate defeat of the present menace at sea is assured.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"Pierre tries the most daring experiments—to-day he used just plain soap and water on me!"

Nazi Losses Mount To Over 500,000 Tons

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuters).—Mr. Ronald Cross, the Minister for Economic Warfare, broadcasting from London to-day, revealed that seizures of goods destined for Germany had now comfortably exceeded half a million tons.

They included petrol, iron, aluminium, copper and phosphates.

This was only a small proportion of Germany's real losses as the result of British mastery of the seas, because many over-sea shippers had not even attempted to send goods to Germany.

Only 14 Per Cent. Foodstuffs

Referring to the Nazi complaints that the control was inhumane, Mr. Cross declared that only 14 per cent. of the total seizures would normally have been classified as food, including nine per cent. of oils and fats, which the Germans could use equally easily as munitions or food.

In this connection, Mr. Cross recalled that the German leaders had already decided that sums were preferable to be used for war purposes.

Much of the remaining five per cent. consisted of cereals, which could be used for food or converted into alcohol for use as motor spirit.

Pertinent Question
The remaining 86 per cent. consisted of materials, which could be used directly for war purposes, and could not be used as food.

Mr. Cross added: "In modern times, no government does more than the Germans to abolish the distinction between the Army and civilian population. We may well ask what is the object of the German submarine campaign if not to prevent all cargoes and foodstuffs from reaching this country?"

Churchill's Admission

Two Reich Warships In The Atlantic

SPECIAL WAR SERVICE

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuters).—Two warships of the Deutschland type have been reported as operating in the Atlantic, one in the north and the other in the south, declared Mr. Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, replying to a question in the House of Commons to-day.

Evidence as to whether these were the only two service vessels operating was conflicting, added Mr. Churchill, but it was reasonably certain that at least one of the Deutschland type had been abroad.

When Will They Be Sunk?
A Labourite questioner asked Mr. Churchill when he would be in a position to say that they had been sunk.

"I don't think I should make forecasts of that kind," responded the First Lord, who added that he hoped to make a statement next week on naval operations to date.

Navy Doing Its Best
Asked what was being done to prevent Nazi submarines from refuelling in the sheltering bays along the coast of Eire, Mr. Churchill said the government of Eire was responsible for that.

On the high seas, the Royal Navy was taking such measures as were open to it. It was doing its best.

Concerning the fishing industry, he said that a standing committee had been formed to advise the Ministry in this connection.

A number of fishing vessels, taken over when war broke out, had been returned and the question of purchasing more trawlers was being actively pursued.

SOVIETS' NO TO NAZI MILITARY AMBITIONS

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that Russia, at least, is remaining neutral. England and France have become very modest. We always held to the view that we could fight out alone the military struggle which has been forced on us."

Budapest Surprised

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BUDAPEST, Nov. 1 (UP).—M. Molotov's speech surprised political and diplomatic circles here. Generally, they had expected more, especially in view of the much heralded "sensations" none of which are said to have come off.

It was especially noted here that there was emphasis on the Soviet's neutrality, and a lack of any threats towards Finland.

MANPOWER, MATERIALS

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America, Australia was shortly to produce six Wirraway planes a week. They had also ordered for training purposes 50 Molt. Minor machines, 100 privately-owned aircraft, 350 Tiger Molt air frames, and 500 Gipsy Molt Engines.

The munitions expansion programme included—among others—the building of a Bren gun factory.

New Pact Is Defended

Turkish President's Speech To Assembly

ANKARA, Nov. 1 (Reuters).—President Inönü, opening the Turkish National Assembly, declared that the Anglo-Turkish Pact was directed against no other party.

Its purpose was to assure Turkey's security, at the same time serving peace and international security at least in the zone where Turkey's influence could be exercised.

It followed Turkey's aim in opposing herself to the extension of the tragedy of war by creating a region of security in Europe, which was struggling in the horrors of war.

Not Disturbing Influence
"The Pact only comes into effect if some state seeks to trample our lawful aspirations," he continued.

"Apart from the eventuality, our bonds with our allies, and the ideal which we have proclaimed together are not of a character to disturb our normal friendly relations with other states."

"We sincerely desire to keep the country outside the zone of war, providing that our security is not compromised, nor our undertakings violated."

Soviet-Turkish Relations

The President did not allude to Mr. Molotov's speech, but referring to Mr. Surugdut's visit to Moscow, he said that while it failed to achieve the agreement aimed at, the friendship linking the two countries rested on a solid basis, and the circumstances and obstacles arising from the temporary necessities of the present time must not be allowed to impair this friendship.

"As hitherto, the friends who are faithful to us may expect nothing but straightforwardness and goodwill from us," declared the President.

Regent's Approval

BAHGDAD, Nov. 1 (Reuters).—Opening Parliament to-day, the Regent expressed cordial approval of the Anglo-Franco-Turkish Pact, "which enables this part of the world to regard the future with confidence."

Just Peace Is Promised

House Of Commons Assurance

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuters).—Replying to questions in the House of Commons, asking for an assurance that no agreement with the Allied Powers or others which might hamper a just settlement at the end of war would be made, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said that it was not the Government's intention to take any step which might prevent satisfaction being reached at the end of the war.

The Iraq Government, he also said, had given formal assurances that the Mufti of Jerusalem, who is at present sheltering in Iraq, would not be permitted to engage in political activity, or be the cause of agitation.

Western Ukraine Incorporated

MOSCOW, Nov. 1 (Reuters).—A Bill providing for the incorporation of Western Ukraine in the Soviet Union was unanimously passed in both chambers of the Supreme Council.

Throne Room Ceremony

MOSCOW, Nov. 1 (Reuters).—Polish territory in western Ukraine was formally incorporated into the Soviet Union to-day, the ceremony taking place before the Supreme Soviet in the old throne room of the Czars.

Formal request was made by the leader of the western Ukraine delegations.

He spoke in his native language and when he came on the rostrum with M. Stalin and M. Molotov, was given a tremendous ovation.

Soviet-Russia promises all Poles and Jews in western Ukraine full freedom under the banner of the Communist Party.

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EDUCATION MUST GO ON

Britain To Re-open "Danger Area" Schools

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 1 (UP).—

Earl de la Warr, President of the Board of Education, announced in the House of Lords to-day that the Government has decided to re-open as many schools as possible in the evacuated areas.

"This decision must not be taken as an all clear signal for return to the evacuated areas," he said.

It is the Government's view, he added that "we cannot afford to let three quarters of a million children grow up without education, school discipline and medical care."

He counselled parents whose children are already evacuated to "leave them where they are."

"As yet we have had no air raids at all on the scale that took place in Poland," he said.

Life And Death

"That is all to the good, but we do not know what is coming, and this is quite really a matter of life and death."

The Government has rejected the idea of compelling the remaining children to leave evacuation areas.

"The Government is not willing to take such a step except in the most desperate circumstances," Earl de la Warr stated.

It is understood that school attendance will be voluntary, probably in short shifts of three hours each. Special protection against air raids will be provided near each of the schools.

Two Solutions

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuters).—The Government has decided to reopen the schools in the evacuated areas.

Speaking in the House of Lords, Earl de la Warr, President of the Board of Education, stated that the present situation regarding evacuation could not be allowed to continue.

There were two solutions. The first was to get the remaining three quarters of a million children out of the vulnerable areas. This step the Government would be unwilling to take except in the most desperate circumstances.

Not All-Clear Signal

The second solution was some measure of reopening of the schools in the vulnerable areas and this the Government had decided upon.

The decision must not be taken as an all-clear signal for return to the evacuation areas.

Earl de la Warr appealed to the parents to leave the children in the reception areas.

Dominion Chiefs In Conference

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuters).—"Reuters" understands that the first serious meetings between the British and Dominion governments took place to-day.

The Dominions' delegates were entertained at luncheon by the British Government, after which they went to No. 10 Downing Street, where Mr. Neville Chamberlain presided over the meeting.

Mr. Chamberlain was accompanied by Lord Halifax and Mr. Anthony Eden, while the Dominion Governments' representatives were accompanied by their High Commissioners.

R.A.F. FLIGHTS OVER REICH

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Nov. 1 (UP).—It is officially reported that the R.A.F. during the past 24 hours, has carried out successful reconnaissance flights over north-western Germany, and returned to their base safely.

Nazi Claim Refuted

PARIS, Nov. 1 (Reuters).—The German claim that they have brought down four Allied planes is officially denied.

All French planes returned safely to their bases. One British is missing on the day in question.

Puppet Representations To French Concession

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SHANGHAI, Nov. 2 (Domei).—

In view of the frequent occurrence of terroristic outrages in the French Concession, Mayor Fu Shao-en of the Shanghai Special Municipality on Wednesday has filed representations with M. M. Baudet, the French Consul-General, asking for stricter control of Chinese terrorists and effective maintenance of peace and order in the Concession.

Mayor Fu's note calls attention to the murder by Chinese gunmen of Li Chun-piao, councillor of the Shanghai Special Municipality, on October 28 on Mulang Road in the French Concession, and the murder of Professor Wang Fu-yen, of Fudan University, by terrorists on the same day on Route Tenant de Latour in the French Concession.

Still At Large
While those responsible for these outrages were believed to be still at large, the note adds, peace and order in the foreign settlement are greatly menaced by the activities of terrorists, who "are directed and financed by Chungking agents."

If the French Municipal Council authorities fail to arrest the assassins responsible for the murder of the Chinese City Government's official, Mayor Fu observes that the prestige of the French Consul-General will become questionable and the Concession authorities will be blamed for neglecting their duties.

Nazi Sadism

Fresh Evidence Of Camp Horrors

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuters).—

There is more confirmation of the Government's White Paper on Nazi brutality in a letter to the "Times" from the legal tribunal which has been considering the Kent cases of 3,600 aliens.

All are Jews or of Jewish blood. The letter states that in a rail journey to a concentration camp, three men in a wagon were shot and their bodies thrown from the train when they complained of the heat.

Seven Murdered

The tribunal is satisfied that at least seven men were murdered on the way.

In winter on the other hand the whole camp was forced to stand for one night and part of next day in their night attire in the open air. Many men died.

On arrival in camp, young and old were beaten with sticks or prodded with bayonets by Black Guards. There were stories of old men who fell down and were kicked.

Labour Party's Views

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuters).—The Labour Party's view of the White Paper is that it shows that cold-blooded inhumanity is the deliberate policy of the Nazi leaders towards those whose only "crime" is their political or religious beliefs or their race.

The White Paper was not war propaganda. The statement adds that the German people must surely end this tyranny sooner or later.

All Quiet Along Western Front

PARIS, Nov. 1 (Reuters).—The following communiqué was issued today:

"In the course of the day, there was the usual activity of small infantry units on both sides at various points of the front."

Local Artillery Fire

PARIS, Nov. 1 (Reuters).—Tonight's French communiqué stated that in the course of the day there was the usual activity by small infantry units on both sides at various points of the front.

A German communiqué speaks of local artillery fire, reconnaissance and isolated attacks.

It is now revealed that when the French drove back a determined German attempt to capture a village in the northern sector, they took six prisoners.

French planes made further reconnaissance flights and returned safely. The Base of Gloucester and Viscount Gort to-day visited artillery units in the front line.

Chinese, Japanese Bonds Strengthen

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuters).—M. Molotov's speech caused no surprise in market circles.

Consequently prices opened steady and trade was quiet.

Subsequently, however, business became more brisk among Kaifeng and foreigners. Chinese and Japanese bonds became particularly good.

Rayons were higher on the announcement of an increase in the price of rayon yarn. The price of cotton yarn was irregular. Wall Street was narrowly irregular.

Cheaper Air Mail Rates

Urged In House Of Commons

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuters).—

In the House of Commons to-day, the Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Information, was asked whether he would consider the desirability of recommending cheaper Empire air-mail rates.

He said he appreciated the importance of the despatch of correspondence and British newspapers overseas, which the Postmaster-General, in consultation with the Secretary of State for Air, had under constant review.

The Real Difficulty

Mr. Noel Baker, of the Opposition Labour, said: "This is a most important matter."

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Information replied: "This is realised. The real difficulty which arises is weight and space."

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS

H.K. Banks (Lon. Reg.)	£.82 n.
H.K. Banks (H.K. Reg.)	£.82 n.
Chartered	£.8 n.
Mercantile, A. & B.	£.27 1/2 n.
Mercantile, C. & E.	£.11 1/2 n.
East Asia	£.72 n.

INSURANCES

Cantons	£.202 1/2 n.
Union	£.400 n.
China Underwriters	£.1 1/4 n.
H.K. Fire	£.175 n.

SHIPPING

Douglases	£.68 n.
Stamboats	£.12 n.
Indo-China, P.S.	£.80 n.
Indo-China, S.S.	£.80 n.
Shell (Bearers) s/s	£.85 7/8 n.
Wuoroots	£.810 n.

DOCKS ETC.

Wharves	£.100 1/2 n.
Docks	£.18 1/4 n.
Providents	£.4 n.
New Eng. Sh.	£.14 1/2 n.
Sh. Docks Sh.	£.175 n.

MINING

Kallion s/-	£.13 3/8 n.
Rauha	£.9 0/0 n.
Venz, Gold	£.4 n.
H.K. Mines Co.	£.4 n.

LANDS

Hotels	£.4 1/2 n.
Lands	£.32 n.
Land 4 1/2 do.	£.8 n.
Shai Lands Sh.	£.0 n.
Humphreys	£.7 1/2 n.
H.K. Realities	£.410 n.
Chinese estates	£.08 n.

UTILITIES

Trams	£.16 n.
Peak Trams (old)	£.740 n.
Peak Trams (new)	£.370 n.
Star Ferries	£.61 1/2 n.
Y. Ferries	£.22 1/2 n.
China Lights (old)	£.780 n.
China Lights (new)	£.45 n.
H.K. Electric	£.60 n.
Macao Electric	£.18 n.
Sandakan Lights	£.11 1/2 n.
Telephones (old)	£.20.20 n.
Telephones (new)	£.7.00 n.
Tractions s/-	£.19 n.
Tractions (Pre.) s/-	£.22 n.

INDUSTRIALS

Chid. Macg. (ord.) Sh.	£.14 n.
Chid. Macg. (Pre.) Sh.	£.13 n.
Canton Ices	£.1 n.
Cement	£.14.00 n.
H.K. Ropes	£.410 n.

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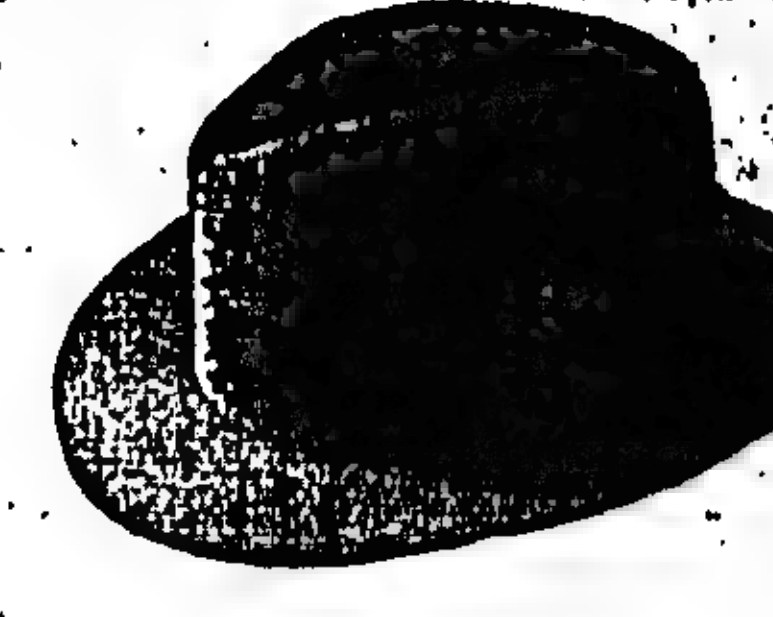
Dairy Farms (old)	£.20 n.
Dairy Farms (new)	£.19 1/2 n.
Watsons	£.7.00 n.
Ans. Crawford	£.7 1/2 n.
Sinners	£.1.00 n.
Wing On (H.K.)	£.41 n.
Powell, Ltd.	£.1 n.

COTTON MILLS

Ewo Sh.	£.22 n.
Shai Cotton Sh.	£.175 n.
Song Sing Sh.	£.42 n.
Wing On Textile Sh.	£.46 1/2 n.

MISC.

H. K. Entertainments	£.635 n.
Constructions (old)	£.1.55 n.
Constructions (new)	£.1 n.
Vibro Piling	£.6 1/2 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925	30 3/4 n.
G. Bonds	30 3/4 n.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan	100 n.
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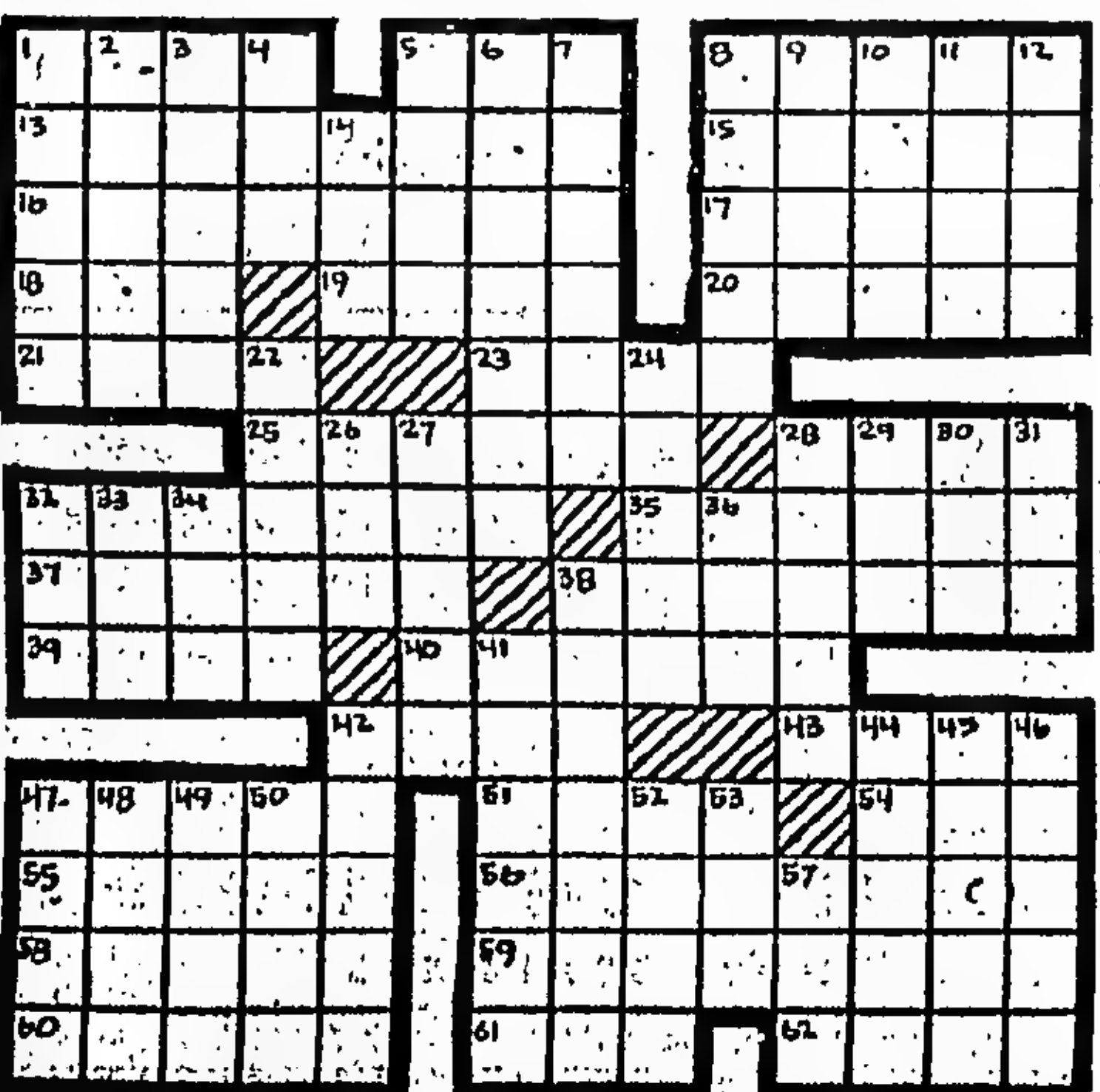
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 - Unpleasant mark
 - Nicotine volcano
 - Easy access
 - Employee
 - Those who worship
 - Climax
 - Bohemian dance
 - Ornamental borders
 - Sharp
 - Media
 - Overseer
 - Outline of interior wall
 - Transparent resin
 - In the distance
 - Light jett
 - African ruminant
 - Rooted
 - Cover deck of old battleship
 - Deliver
 - Whitewash
- DOWN
- Pointed arch
 - Tenants
 - Wanted property
 - Ringed box
 - Wing-shaped
 - Not on time
 - Disparagements
 - Ambassador (abbr.)
 - Room's ally
 - Approaches
 - Noted
 - Find by following
 - Frags
 - Sharpened
 - Embryo of bird
 - Light horse history
 - Foot-like part
 - Vegetable soup
 - Scotch river
 - Room
 - Wing
 - Flourish of trumpet
 - Very food of
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CYCLING formerly was just a pastime for a few enthusiasts; now almost everybody's taking it up, because it's a good way of getting about, it's cheap, it's good exercise, it's fun.

Clothes are rather a problem for winter cycling, especially for beginners who have not got the shorts-all-the-year-round habit. The best possible choice is a divided skirt, because it doesn't "bun" and off the cycle it still looks smart.

The one drawn here is ideal. Well cut and wide-legged, so that it looks like an ordinary skirt when you're standing still, it has large pockets that would take your money and beauty electrics to save you carrying a handbag—always a great nuisance when you're riding.

SHORT CUTS

In washing spinach use a pan large enough to allow the spinach to float. This helps free the leaves of sand and dirt.

Tips on vegetables: Cabbage heads should be solid and heavy. See that lettuce heads are hard and crisp. String-beans should snap easily and be unblemished. Spinach should be green and crisp. Avoid sprouted onions.

"Difficult Years" In Childhood

THERE are few more anxious moments in a mother's life than those when she discovers that her easy-going baby is suddenly becoming "difficult," a prey to night terrors, jealousy, and food faddishness.

And, again, when the child becomes destructive and gets into danger of one sort, and another one can recognise the difficult period in babyhood, which usually occurs between the ages of two and five.

There are so many things he wants to do which do not easily fit into the ordinary household, while he is too young to have any sense of the reason for prohibitions.

The main difficulty arises from the fact that between two years of age to five years a child has not yet developed much skill or control

though his actual feelings and wishes are immensely strong. The infant's passions are, in fact, stronger in proportion to his ability to control them.

Here the mother or nurse needs to develop in the child a consideration for others, for other people's property and to help him to self control, without actually dwarfing his personality or making him lose any real skill or intellectual power.

In this respect the nursery school is useful; the child can have much more room to run about and a better range of playthings.

Space to Run About

Or, if possible, provide a nursery or some room where he can have the right sort of things to play with—space to run about—and where there are a minimum number of things to break.

A small child in a diningroom is bound to do some damage, bound to make grown-ups irritated because his natural impulses lead him to touch things and explore. In a properly planned room of his own where he can have things to climb on, bricks, and moulding material and a blackboard or a piece of lineum on the wall on which he can chalk, he can be active all the time without being a nuisance to other people.

If he brings his destructive impulses to bear on things outside his own room his mother can reasonably say: "These are my things, you must not spoil them. You can do what you like with your own things but I can't have my cushions climbed on."

It is principally a matter of adaptation. Drawing-rooms are not suitable places for babies of two. The only way to make a child "believe" in a drawingroom is thoroughly to cow and frighten him—an impossible course. It is a mistake to put a child in a situation that is beyond him. It is unfair to him.

He cannot deal with a situation created for the adult. His social contacts are better restricted to the nursery where he can play and be natural.

When a Child Is Jealous

Another difficulty arises when new babies appear. Here a great deal depends upon the way the situation is handled. People sometimes make the fatal mistake of using the new baby against the older child and so making the older one jealous. It is better to get him to share the pleasure of the baby, letting him enjoy his superiority to it and the fact that he can talk and run about while the baby cannot.

Make sure that he has no ground for feeling that the baby has really displaced him. Many children are

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terrible and miserable test the mother no longer loves them.

When willfulness arises a mother first needs to make sure that she is asking only what is reasonable of the child. If he is asked to keep still and not to make a noise that is unreasonable. The demands must be suited to the child. When that has been done it is the time for firmness, but not before.

Control and co-operation are a matter of time and growth. The small child is inevitably an egoist, but if we provide the right material and the right environment he will gradually become more able to control his impulses and the difficult years will pass.

Standards Too High

Many mothers set standards that are too high. Those who expect to

Fashions For Baby

FASHION starts in the cradle. Probably as much care and thought is expended on the clothes of the new born babe (not only by the mother—that goes without saying, of course) but by designers themselves who are turning out typically modern articles for the tiny baby.

All baby's wants are entered for from sleeping bags to fitted cases for travelling. Incidentally, the latter are very practical propositions. This means that taking baby away for a week-end is no longer the appalling first-cousin-to-a-colar expedition that it previously seemed.

Here, then, you will find one of the new fitted cases solves the difficulty to a very large extent. For instance, a waterproof one has been designed in a washable fabric, and fitted with everything a baby can need on a journey—vacuum flasks, feeding bottles, combs, brushes, boxes for soap, powder, and sponge, and so on.

Special Car Seat

While on the subject of travelling a special car seat deserves to be mentioned. This can be fitted to the seat at the back or front of the car, and has a tray attachment so that baby can travel in the greatest comfort and style. This, at the same time, allows the mother a little respite.

To-day there is not time to work wonders of embroidery on baby clothes, neither is there time to give to endless and difficult laundering, so small garments have very little trimming and only slight frilliness.

A single line of feather stitching around neck, sleeves, and hem, for thick petticoats, perhaps, and a single edging of fine lace for the lighter ones is all that is usually necessary.

Smocking is one of the most attractive ways of obtaining the advisable fullness, and looks charming in a deeper shade of the same tone as the frock, or in a plain contrast.

For the cooler weather corded velveteen coats are not too heavy

and look attractive in any of the pastel shades. They also are made very plainly and fasten in the front with four buttons.

Small pixie hoods to match, like the ones women have been wearing recently, give a finishing touch to the ensemble.

Tunic Suits

As he grows a little older smocked tunic suits are a smart edition of the old-time rompers for baby. These suits are made in every conceivable material from tussore and crepe de chine to striped cotton for the garden.

There is some latitude on the rule of simplicity allowed in the matter of the christening robe. For while they are much shorter than previously, they are still very much lined, ribboned, and embroidered.

Ruffles of organdie and satin bows are still in favour with some mothers for christenings. One attractive cool, however, is made of straw basket work, and instead of having frills outside, has a neat lining of spotted net over satin. This looks as dainty as possible, and is easy to keep fresh.

For the small, restless baby who kicks off his blankets, however carefully tucked in, there are sleeping bags made in soft, warm fabric, having long or short sleeves. They are bound with satin and the sack-like ends allow plenty of movement.

For the important daily exercise you can now buy a special low platform made of material fairly loosely attached to a wooden frame with sides. On this baby can kick and roll in perfect safety, as he always slides back to the centre.

E. A.

HOME HINTS

A sewing machine that is used once a week, whether for a few hours or a few days, requires at least a weekly oiling. Lint, dust and threads should be removed beforehand.

Three or four marbles dropped into the bottom of the vessel, when making candy, keeps candy from burning. The marbles do most of the stirring as boiling keeps marbles in constant motion.

Use baking soda in dish water to remove fish or onion odour from dishes and utensils.

Before heating milk, always rinse the pan in cold water, and the milk won't stick to the pan.

Wash fabric gloves on the hand in warm water, using any mild soap. Add a little salt to the water to prevent colours from running. Dry gloves between the folds of a towel. Do not wring or twist.

For an inexpensive dessert, try cooked dried apricots.

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In Rumania the precious load was transferred to a specially chartered train, and taken to Constantza, on the Black Sea, where a Turkish boat was waiting.

It was a race against time, for the Germans knew already that the gold had left Poland.

And a few hours after the boat sailed the Rumanian Government received a warning from Berlin that the gold must under no circumstances be allowed to leave Rumanian territory.

A little boat cruised for over a month in the Eastern Mediterranean.

Then it was arranged with the French Government—that the gold should be unloaded in Syria and then transported to France by the French Navy.

It was of the utmost importance for all the Allies that the bullion should not come into the possession of the gold-hungry Nazis. It is now absolutely safe.

The new Polish Government has made it clear that not an ounce of it will be spent for Government needs. It will form the reserve for the restored Polish currency in reconstituted Poland.

HITLER HIT

By Woman's New Play

WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON roared with laughter to-day over the new play, "Margin for Error," by Clare Boothe, author of "The Women," which puts Hitlerism on the spot and is as blistering and pungent a blast against Nazism as ever came from a dramatist's pen.

The play, which was presented last night, provoked hisses whenever the Nazi leader was mentioned. At one point the show was stopped as the audience stamped their feet and clapped, drowning the words of the actor playing the German Consul, Karl Baumer, villain and central figure in the play.

Baumer is such a consummate villain that everyone—including the entire audience—wants to see him destroyed.

The first act is laid in the office of the Nazi consul of a large American city, and the author takes the opportunity of saying bluntly what she thinks of the "lunatic juggernaut" who now menaces the world.

The consul dies a violent death—to the cheers of the audience. Miss Boothe presents Hitler as the arch-enemy of America, and, judging by the applause, the audience agreed with her.



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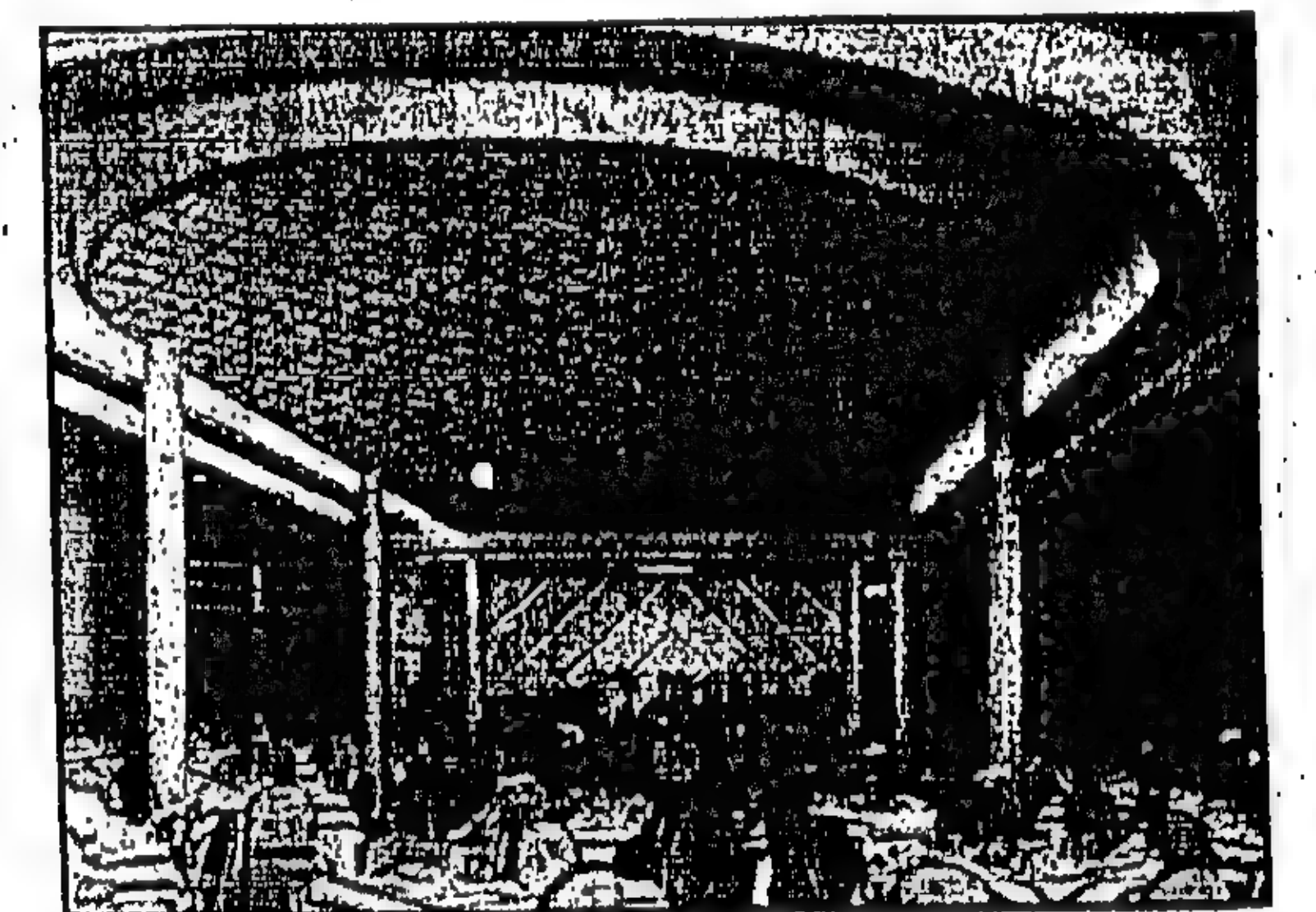
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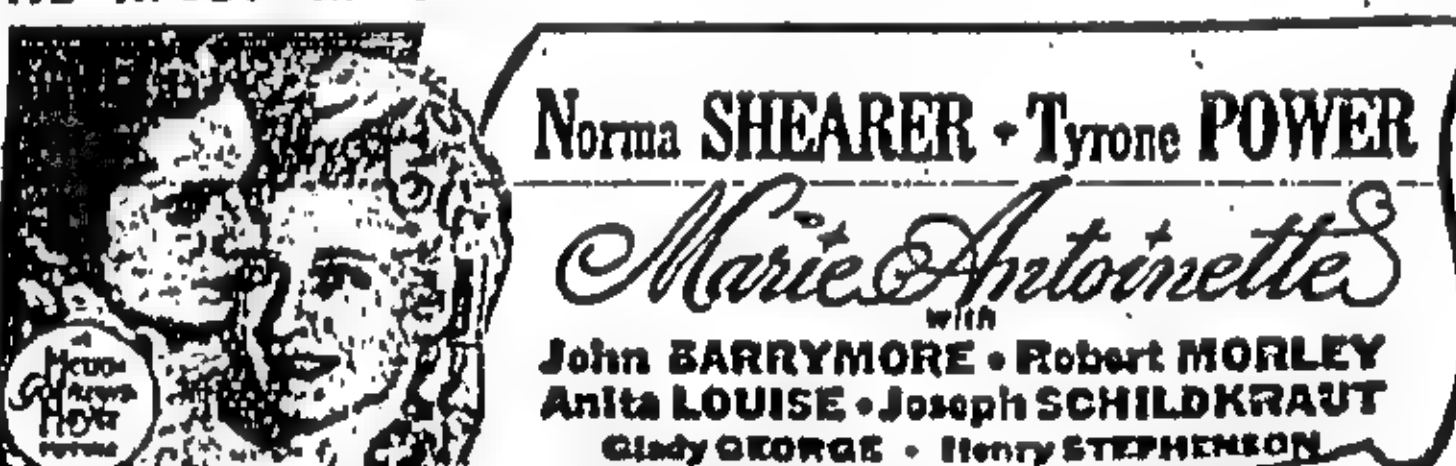
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China In The Commons

Typical Replies By Mr. R. A. Butler

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—An invitation at question time in the House of Commons to-day addressed to the Premier to make a statement on the situation in China brought an answer from Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, declaring that the situation remains unchanged.

Kulangs Agreement
Mr. Butler said there had been fighting in Hunan, and North Kiang-shi. Both sides appeared to hold the same line as prior to the recent Japanese offensive.

He was glad to say that an agreement was reached on October 17 between the Kulangs Municipal Council and the Japanese Consul-General providing for additional Japanese police officers.

The United States and Japanese landing parties were withdrawn on the following day.

Anti-British Agitation
There was no appreciable relaxation of anti-British agitation in North China although Press reports to-day stated that orders were given to ease the agitation.

Further representations were recently addressed to the Japanese Government by Sir Robert Craigie, the British Ambassador in Tokyo.

Shanghai Situation
LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—Mr. R. A. Butler, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, told a questioner in the House of Commons to-day that there had been some deterioration in the situation in the western area of Shanghai.

Sir Robert Craigie, the British Ambassador, was pressing the Japanese Government for the evacuation of the extrajurisdictional roads to be cleaned up.

It was understood that the American Ambassador had taken parallel action.

SOVIET TANKS IN VILNA

Anti-Jewish Riot: 50 Badly Hurt

KAUNAS, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—Forty Soviet tanks from Vilnius entered Vilna last night.

The reason for their arrival is unknown.

Lithuanian troops appeared in the streets earlier, following an anti-Jewish demonstration in which 50 Jews were badly injured.

Attacks on Jews and the plundering and wrecking of Jewish flats continued for several hours.

The Jewish communities in Vilna and Kaunas are appealing to the Lithuanian Government.

Independence Essential

Finnish Minister's Reply To Soviets

HELSINKI, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—"It is impossible for Finland to consent to any arrangement which would remove her independence and chances of self-defence," declared M. Erkkö, the Finnish Foreign Minister, in a speech here to-night.

M. Erkkö added: "Finland cannot see any danger of Russia's security being threatened from the Finnish State or territory."

Willing To Help
"Should a third Power attempt to use Finland as a base for attack on the Soviet, we should resist such an attempt with the fullest force."

Finland had declared her willingness to assist Russia to strengthen the Leningrad and Finnish defences. The Treaty of Dorpat (establishing Finnish independence) and the Russo-Finnish non-aggression pact provided the basis for all possible negotiations, he concluded.

New British Army Commander

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—It is learned that Lieut. General Sir Ronald Adam has been appointed to command the Third Army Corps of the British Expeditionary Force.

Major-General H. R. S. Massy has been appointed Deputy Chief of the Imperial General Staff.

No Sinkiang Trouble

Province's Leaders Re-Assure Chiang

CHUNGKING, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—Rumours of trouble in Sinkiang (Chinese Turkestan) are automatically dispelled, Chinese circles here claim, by the receipt of a lengthy joint telegram from General Sheng Shih-tsai, Pacification Commissioner in Sinkiang, and Li Yan, Governor of Sinkiang, congratulating General Chiang Kai-shek and General Chen Cheng and Hsueh Yo on the Chinese victory at Changsha recently.

In the message, the leaders pledged their loyalty to the Chinese Government, and gave an assurance that they would do everything in their power to contribute resources to aid the war of resistance against Japan.

Firth Of Forth Air Raid Lessons

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—Special instructions to prevent trains from going on the Firth Bridge when air-raid warnings are sounded near that area have now been issued, the Minister of Transport announced to-day.

Envoy's Report To Be Published

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—The British Government has given permission to an American firm to reprint the report of the Sir Nevile Henderson's report for publication in the United States.

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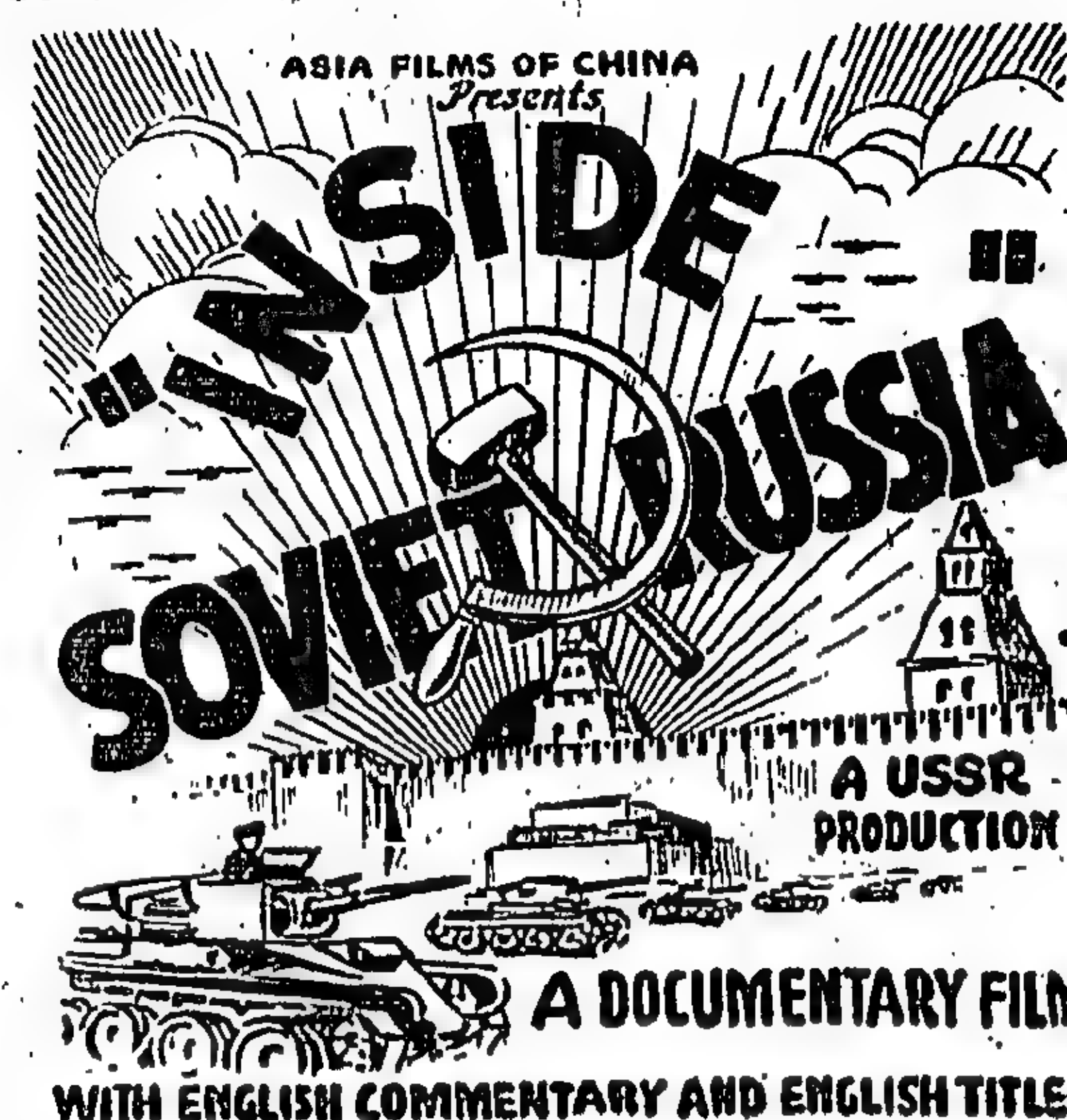


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INCREASED FEARS OF NEUTRALS

Finland Rejection of Red Demands Reported

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

Here Is The Reason Why

COPENHAGEN, Nov. 2 (UP).—Latest developments in Russia and Germany are causing a new wave of uneasiness in the small neutral countries of Europe, particularly in Finland, the Scandinavians, Belgium, Holland and Switzerland. It is feared in Stockholm that Russia is about to present demands on Finland which will, if accepted, prejudice that country's neutrality.



The strategic positions of the neutral countries on Germany's Western Front. Invasion is a tempting bait to the Nazis.

WESTERN OFFENSIVE SAID POSTPONED

Has Hitler Listened To His Military Advisers?

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Nov. 1 (UP).—It is reported that Hitler is finally heeding the warnings of the General Staff and has apparently postponed, until spring, the general offensive on the Western Front, after examining the results of the patrol attacks in the Moselle region during the past week.

Meanwhile, the 118th communiqué says, "During the day, there was the habitual activity of light infantry on both sides at various points on the front."

It is learned that the Cabinet Council has decided to grant an allowance for each soldier in actual combat on the front lines. It is communicated that the Cabinet discussed the problem of the evacuated population, the labour question, soldiers' pay, bonuses, allowances for

Finnish Delegation Due In Moscow

MOSCOW, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—The Finnish delegation is expected here to-morrow.

Some observers fear that Sweden may be indirectly involved.

Finland is taking definite precautions to meet the menace.

The Hango Peninsula, in the Gulf of Finland, has been mined. This is one of the places Russia is demanding as a naval base for the Red Fleet.

The waters around the islands of Hanoo and Busce, which are located in the narrow channel leading into the Gulf, have also been mined.

Fears are also entertained in Switzerland, Holland and Belgium of Germany's intentions.

Certain military precautions are being taken in Switzerland.

State Of Siege
Holland has proclaimed a State of Siege in certain areas and has, it is unofficially reported, released a quantity of water in the areas which would be completely flooded in the event of invasion. Heavy concentrations of German troops are reported on the Belgian frontier.

The Finnish delegation to Moscow, which is taking with it Finland's reply—believed to be a rejection of the Russian demands, is expected at the Kremlin to-day.

Finland To Resist

HELSINKI, Nov. 1 (UP).—The Finnish Finance Minister, M. Erilo, in a speech at a meeting held in connection with the National Defence Fund here declared to-day that Finland will resist territorial penetration.

At the outset of the discussions with Russia, he said, Finland had made it known that Finland's unconditional neutrality in relation to other States must be strictly observed.

Russia had approved that policy, which requires that we do not enter into any undertaking not in keeping with our strict neutrality.

"Any guardianship which a foreign power might receive or desire over our territory must be regarded as such an undertaking."

"Finland, therefore, must firmly maintain her independence as a neutral. Her policy in this respect cannot be weakened."

Molotov Causes Jitters

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—Hitler is closely studying M. Molotov's speech, reports from Berlin state, and has had several conversations about it with his advisers.

Reports of his reception in other countries must double the sense of dissatisfaction to the Nazis.

Holland and Sweden, for instance, PLEASE Turn To Page 8.

Japan's Bid For Trade Of Warring Nations
TOKYO, Nov. 2 (Domei).—The Ministry of Communications has approved the construction of 15 merchant vessels with an aggregate tonnage of 80,300 tons during the current fiscal year.

OUR SMILING QUEEN



THE EMPIRE'S beautiful and gracious Queen photographed as she recently visited the Red Cross depot in London. Her Majesty is aiding Red Cross workers to make bandages at the depot.

ATTACK ON CONVOY

Five Ships Sunk, Says Report

BERLIN, Nov. 1 (UP).—The afternoon newspapers have published a report under an Oslo dateline saying that the Norwegian paper "Tidens Nævn" had reported that three U-boats attacked a convoy of 24 ships in the Atlantic between Gibraltar and England. Three British and two French freighters are reported to have been sunk.

SWISS PRECAUTIONS

BERNE, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—The possibility of the occupation of a part of Swiss territory by an invader is taken account in two decrees just promulgated. The first informs the population of their rights and obligations in such an event, and the second deals with the juridical aspect of the transfer of industrial and commercial undertakings situated near the frontier. The decrees, without being alarming, are nevertheless regarded as significant.

NEUTRALITY: HOUSE TO VOTE ON REVISION

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1 (UP).—The balloting on the revised Neutrality Bill will commence at about 2 p.m. to-morrow thus bringing a sine die adjournment of the Special Session of Congress on Saturday.

To-morrow's voting will probably be limited to three roll calls: firstly, for the retention of the arms embargo; secondly, for the elimination of the President's power to fix combat zones, and thirdly, to tighten legislation to prevent the two billion dollar Stabilization Fund and Federal lending agencies from extending credits to belligerent powers.

Lower House Starts Debate
WASHINGTON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—The House of Representatives has begun its discussion on the new Neutrality Bill, which has already been passed by the Senate. There was an early success for its sponsors when the House adopted the official recommendation that it should be sent at once to a joint committee of the two Houses to try and effect a compromise between the Senate's version of the Bill, which raises the Arms Embargo, and that passed by the House of Representatives last summer which retains the Embargo. The decision to send it to a joint committee came after the House had refused the Republican attempt to subject the Bill to amendment.

Veto Against Dictators
WASHINGTON, Nov. 1 (UP).—Representative John McCormack in a speech on the floor of the House demanded the recall of the American Ambassador to Russia, Mr. Laurence Steinhardt, charging that M. Molotov's opposition to the embargo repeal was a "violation of international law."

Members of the House applauded Mr. McCormack when he asserted that the embargo, "helps Russia and Germany. A vote against repeal is a vote for Communist Russia and Nazi Germany."

Rep. Ed Izao, supporting the Neutrality Bill, also referred to M. Molotov's speech and said that Congress is giving the people a law to "keep them out of war." He referred to M. Molotov as being the "right-hand man to Hitler, who is sore at us because we are not doing things like he wants them done."

Mr. Hamilton Fish denounced Mr. PLEASE Turn To Page 8.

EXCHANGE OF JAVA

Bank Of England To Trade Direct

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Oct. 1 (UP).—As a complete surprise to the exchange market to-day, the Bank of England adopted exchange rates on Java, both at Batavia and Soerabaya, at a tenth of the official controlled rates.

The new rates are completely independent of Amsterdam's buying rate of 7.54 to the pound sterling and selling rate of 7.4.

The motive of the new step is presumably to stabilize the rates at which the Government's extensive purchases in the Far East can be made.

Big New York Loan
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
ALBANY, N.Y., Nov. 1 (UP).—The State of New York has issued U.S.\$100,000,000 short term notes at an interest rate of 3 1/4 of 1 per cent. to mature in June, 1940.

The proceeds will be used for ordinary State expenses and for taxes already levied but not yet due.

Ninety-four banks and bond dealers shared in the notes, the allotments ranging from 200,000 to 2,400,000 each.

RUSSIAN SUPPLIES Reaching Germany Via Black Sea

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 1 (UP).—The "Exchange Telegraph" reports from Istanbul that German ships are at present transporting Russian minerals through the Black Sea and up the River Danube.

The cargoes include chrome and manganese.

The report adds that German ships which took refuge in Hungarian ports at the outbreak of war have now resumed their activities.

KING'S PIGEONS SAVE ARMEN

LONDON, Nov. 2 (UP).—Two carrier pigeons owned by His Majesty the King have already distinguished themselves in the war.

Recently a British airman was forced down at sea. He had the two birds with him but, having no time to attach a message, he simply released them.

When the pigeons arrived at the Royal Air Force they were found to be still alive and a search was instituted, resulting in his being picked up.

There are 40,000 registered pigeon fanciers attached to the National Service Register, including King George, who owns a large loft.

Disaffectants Shot Down

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—Reports state that a Berlin factory worker who persisted in attempts to persuade his fellow workers to go on strike has been shot, and another has been shot for extorting money while posing as a Gestapo agent.

Six more have been shot during the past ten days—most of them while "attempting to escape from prison."

Two women hanged themselves in their cells.

GAYDA EXPLAINS WHY IL DUCE DROPPED PILOTS

ROME, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—Changes in the Italian Cabinet are explained by Signor Gayda in the semi-official "Giornale d'Italia."

"Only one man—Mussolini—commands in Italy," he writes, and "therefore the Italian foreign and domestic policies have not changed."

"Italy is still anti-Communist and anti-democratic."

"Changes form a natural part of the Fascist custom and come at the right moment."

ALLIED WAR AIMS

London Magnate's Proposals

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—Suggestions for a statement of the Allied war aims and a plan for peace are advanced in a two-page article in the "News Chronicle" by Sir Walter Layton, Chairman of that journal.

Sir Walter says that three main principles must be accepted before we sheath the sword.

The first is that the restoration of a free Poland and a free Czechoslovakia must be assured.

Judgment By Neutrals

The second is that it must be laid down, in the absence of an agreement between the disputants, that new boundaries and other specific matters in dispute shall be settled by the judgment of disinterested parties and that the contesting parties shall agree to accept this judgment in advance.

This would apply to the boundaries of Czechoslovakia and Poland, and repair of the damage done.

The third is that there be guarantees that the present situation shall not recur. This means removing the possibility of aggression and creating a situation in which a legitimate desire to live peacefully and to trade and develop material prosperity may be satisfied.

Federal Groups

Sir Walter proposes that the small European nations form federal

PLEASE Turn To Page 8.

LATEST

Roosevelt's Satire

WASHINGTON, Nov. 2 (Reuter).—The White House has re-issued the message received from the Soviet President, M. Kalinin, expressing profound sympathy with President Roosevelt's "noble appeal" to Hitler on April 15 not to invade independent nations, including Finland.

No explanation accompanied the White House action in re-issuing the six months' old message, but it follows Molotov's criticism of Roosevelt on Tuesday.

Japan And Britain

LONDON, Nov. 2 (Reuter).—The Diplomatic Correspondent of the "Times" reports that British negotiations with Japan upon various questions arising from the Japanese occupation of Chinese provinces will remain in suspense.

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China In The Commons

Typical Replies By Mr. R. A. Butler

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—An invitation at question time in the House of Commons to-day addressed to the Premier to make a statement on the situation in China brought an answer from Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, declaring that the situation remains unchanged.

Kulungu Agreement

Mr. Butler said there had been fighting in Hunan, and North China. Both sides appeared to hold the same line as prior to the recent Japanese offensive.

He was glad to say that an agreement was reached on October 17 between the Kulungu Municipal Council and the Japanese Consul-General providing for additional Japanese police officers.

The United States and Japanese landing parties were withdrawn on the following day.

Anti-British Agitation

There was no appreciable relaxation of anti-British agitation in North China although Press reports to-day stated that orders were given to ease the agitation.

Further representations were recently addressed to the Japanese Government by Sir Robert Craigie, the British Ambassador in Tokyo.

Shanghai Situation

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—Mr. R. A. Butler, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, told a questioner in the House of Commons to-day that there had been some deterioration in the situation in the western area of Shanghai.

Sir Robert Craigie, the British Ambassador, was pressing the Japanese Government for the evacuation of the extrajurisdictional roads to be cleared up.

It was understood that the American Ambassador had taken parallel action.

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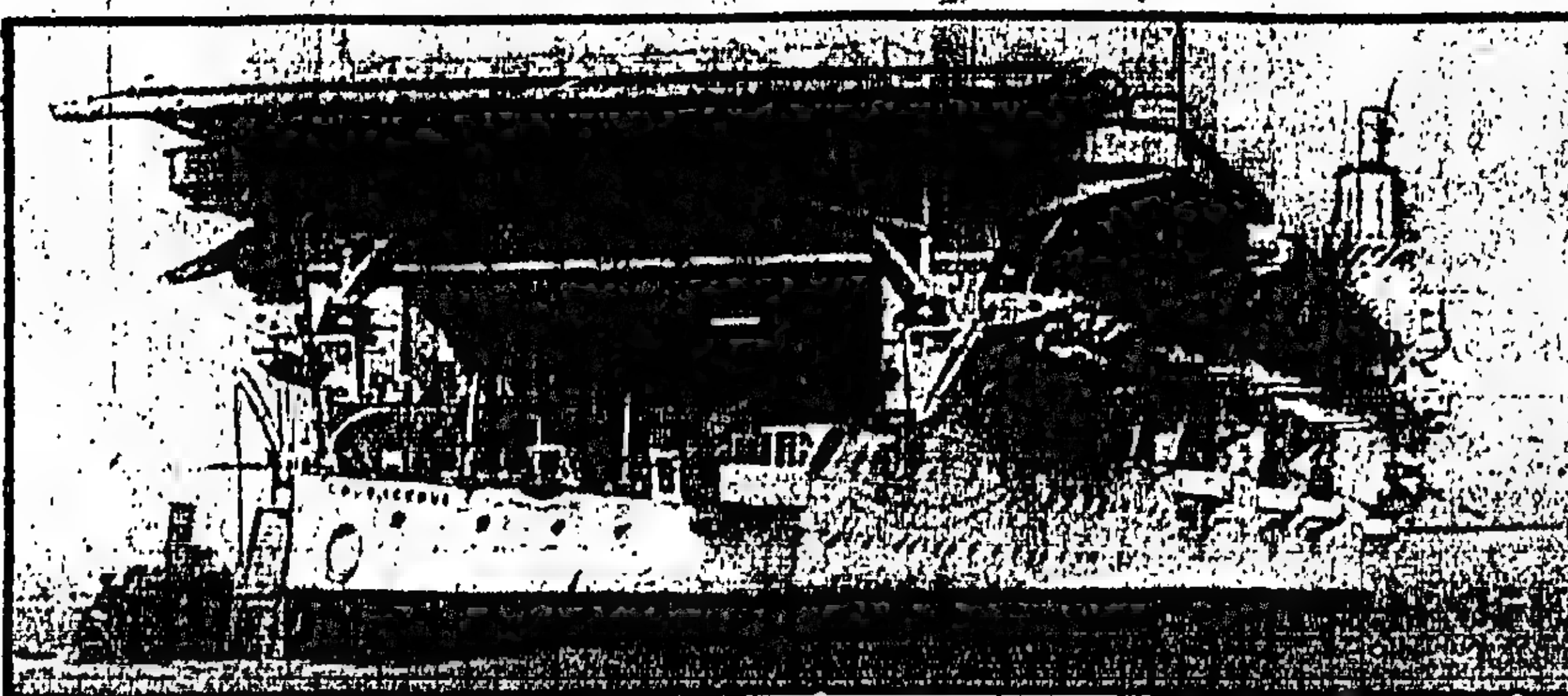
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THIS VIEW OF H.M.S. Courageous gives an idea of the storage space for planes.

SHIP WAS PLANNED FOR "BALTIC ARMADA"

By a Naval Correspondent

H.M.S. COURAGEOUS was a ship which had two distinct careers, with a war in each.

She was originally planned by Admiral of the Fleet Lord Fisher as part of his projected "Baltic Armada" in 1915.

This force was to break through into the Baltic and land a force in North Germany. The protecting vessels were to have the heaviest possible guns and the highest possible speed.

"Outrageous" Class

Since it was also essential that the ships should be navigable in shallow water, something had to go.

What went was protection. These ships of nearly 20,000 tons had the protective plating of the smallest type of cruiser.

Fisher's great scheme never materialised and his successors at the Admiralty were left with three "cruisers" on their hands—the "outrageous class" they were promptly named.

Two were completed as planned—the Courageous and Glorious. They joined the Grand Fleet in 1917 and were employed mainly on convoy and reconnaissance work.

Their 15in. guns—each carried four—were too big for their light framing and gave constant trouble.

But in one respect the ships were a triumphant success—they were the fastest things afloat in all weathers.

In March, 1918, the Courageous was sent on a special mission to the United States. She crossed the Atlantic in three and a-half days, returning at the same speed.

The third ship of the trio—the Furious—never joined the Fleet as a cruiser.

She had been designed to mount two 15-inch guns, the heaviest ever mounted in a warship, but as she came out of the builder's hands only the after gun was mounted.

The other was replaced by a flying-deck, making the ship the Navy's first true aircraft-carrier.

Later, the other 15-inch gun was removed and another flying-deck added.

Expensive Ships

After the war, the three ships lay in reserve for some years. Then, in 1924, they were put in hand to become a class of large aircraft carriers.

The amount of reconstruction can be gauged from the fact that it cost as much per vessel as the original building figure.

Each of the three absorbed, from first to last, about £5,000,000.

RALLY OF AN EMPIRE

BELOW are two "Reuter" stories received in Hongkong this morning. They tell of the magnificent effort of an Empire rallying to its Motherland.

No other Empire in the history of the world has proved so closely knit as has the British Empire in the difficult times through which it is passing to-day.

AUSTRALIA

MANPOWER, MATERIALS

Gigantic Effort By Commonwealth

SYDNEY, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—In addition to the expansion of the Australian naval construction, the Commonwealth Government has offered to arrange for construction on behalf of the British Government if desired.

Mr. R. G. Menzies, the Australian Prime Minister, announced that speedy and powerful merchant ships would be chartered and armed heavily enough to deal with enemy armed merchantmen and destroyers.

Some of these might be for the Australian Navy and others for the British Admiralty.

Defensive guns would be mounted on 60 merchantmen.

The personnel of the Australian Navy now numbered 10,000.

A.I.F. For Overseas

Mr. Menzies also announced that a second Australian Imperial force of 20,000 men, which the Government had decided to raise, would be sent abroad when trained, unless circumstances rendered it impracticable.

In addition to the total order for 100 Lockheed aeroplanes from America, Australia was shortly to produce six Wirraway planes a week. They had also ordered for training purposes 50 Moth Minor machines, 100 privately-owned aircraft, 350 Tiger Moth air frames, and 500 Gipsy Moth Engines.

The munitions expansion programme included acceleration in the building of a Bren gun factory.

\$29,500,000 On War

CANBERRA, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that Australia's war expenditure in the coming year has been estimated at £29,500,000.

Firth Of Forth Air Raid Lessons

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—Special instructions to prevent trains from going on the Firth Bridge when air-raid warnings are sounded, near that area have now been issued, the Minister of Transport announced to-day.

CANADA

BRITAIN'S ARSENAL

Victory May Shape On Dominion's Soil

OTTAWA, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—In a broadcast on Canada's war effort, Mr. Mackenzie King, the Prime Minister, said that the Air Training Scheme was the Dominion's most important military development.

It might well be that final victory would be shaped on Canadian soil.

Canada was also sending men over for front line action.

Canada's own army, navy and air force were protecting her shores, Canadian warships were taking part in the Atlantic convoy system, and so far no ships leaving Canada under convoy had been lost.

Economic Contribution

Canada's most important part in the war might be her economic contribution.

Besides being the traditional granary, she also might be Britain's arsenal.

Thanks to the preparations before the war, Canada's industrial and agricultural resources were easily mobilised.

The crucial moment found her ready.

Western Ukraine Incorporated

MOSCOW, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—A Bill providing for the incorporation of Western Ukraine in the Soviet Union was unanimously passed in both chambers of the Supreme Council.

Throne Room Ceremony

MOSCOW, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—Polish territory in western Ukraine was formally incorporated into the Soviet Union to-day, the ceremony taking place before the Supreme Soviet, in the old throne room of the Czars.

Formal request was made by the leader of the western Ukrainian delegations.

He spoke of his native language and when he came on the rostrum with M. Stalin and M. Molotov, was given a tremendous ovation.

Soviet-Russians promise all Poles and Jews in western Ukraine full freedom under the banner of the Communist Party.

WEEKLY CABLE ON WAR

Soviet's 'No' To Nazi Military Ambitions

LONDON, Nov. 1

(Reuter).—To-day's special commentary on the war situation says that military circles in London emphasise the significant absence in M. Molotov's speech of any promise of military assistance for Germany.

M. Molotov's reiteration that Russia is neutral towards the Allies, but claiming a free hand in foreign policy, suggests a Russian refusal to be tied to German ambitions, probably because of a settled policy of assisting China.

Convoy Success

The extent of the development of the British convoy system is illustrated by the fact that nearly 2,500 Allied merchant vessels have already been convoyed.

The efficacy of the system is proved by the reduction in merchant ship losses since the first week of the war, and the fact that to date only eight ships in convoy, or one in 20, have been lost.

Three of these losses were on the same convoy.

The efficiency of the convoy system does not argue any shortage of escorting vessels. The large force of these ships have already been enormously increased since the outbreak of the war.

Elimination Of Raiders

The most efficacious method of the defence of maritime trade remains the destruction of attacking enemy forces. The British anti-submarine force is considerable in strength and efficiency, proved not only by the heavy submarine losses incurred by Germany, but also by the fact that German submarines are forced to cruise increasingly far away from the focal areas of trade. The numbers of submarines inflicting serious damage are thus greatly reduced.

The statement by the German High Command that the campaign against British merchant shipping is proceeding "according to plan" is not borne out by the facts that in two months, sinkings amount to less than one per cent of British shipping coming to and from our ports, and thus the loss is almost entirely counter-balanced by new construction and by German merchantmen captured when attempting to leave neutral ports where they are sheltering owing to lack of money to pay harbour dues.

Germany Explains

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" BERLIN, Nov. 1 (UP).—The "great" Molotov speech, as several newspapers refer to it, was warmly praised throughout the German press as a new and unequivocal substantiation of Russo-German solidarity.

The fact that Molotov has not announced any military alliance or mutual assistance, as some quarters feared, is explained here by the statement, "Germany can take care of her enemies herself."

The newspaper "Nachtausgabe" says: "France and England will seek to console themselves with the fact that Russia, at least, is remaining neutral. England and France have become very modest. We always held to the view that we could fight alone the military struggle which has been forced on us."

Budapest Surprised

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" BUDAPEST, Nov. 1 (UP).—M. Molotov's speech surprised political and diplomatic circles here. Generally they had expected more, especially in view of the much heralded "sensations" none of which are said to have come off.

It was especially noted here that there was emphasis on the Soviet's neutrality, and a lack of any threats towards Finland.

Soviets Unable To Help

MOSCOW, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—These factors apply to oil, food, raw materials and raw materials.



Fleet Air Arm pilots aboard H.M.S. Courageous, waiting to take up planes—a photograph taken earlier this year.

REACTIONS TO THE SPEECH

SWEDEN

NATURE OF ULTIMATUM

Specific Threat To Scandinavians

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" STOCKHOLM, Nov. 1 (UP).—M. Molotov's "revelations" were surprising, in the opinion of the Swedish people, who regarded them as "moderate" only in Russia's own opinion.

Red naval bases opposite Baltic ports are considered here as a threat, not only to Finland but to all Scandinavia.

The only mitigation seen in the speech is the one referring to the naval bases, which is slightly more moderate than the other demands. Russian methods are also criticized in the press, which expects that the negotiations with Finland will now reach a deadlock.

Aid For Finland

There is a "strong current-sympathy" in Sweden for active help towards Finland.

One newspaper expresses the opinion that M. Molotov's reference to Finland is directed specifically against Sweden.

The newspaper concludes by saying, "If Molotov is trying to place a wedge between the Scandinavian countries, his effort is foredoomed to failure."

"Not even a great nation, such as the Soviets, can dictate what is what to a weaker nation if that nation is determined to stand on its own liberty and independence."

There is only one chief subject in the newspapers throughout Scandinavia, and that is Molotov's speech, featured with front page articles with maps detailing the Soviet demands.

Swedes Increasing Naval Strength

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" STOCKHOLM, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—The Riksdag has voted credits totalling £1,350,000 for the immediate construction of one destroyer and 18 mine-sweepers.

Swedish Chiefs Meet

STOCKHOLM, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—The Foreign Affairs Committee of the Swedish Parliament met to-day to discuss the Baltic situation.

SOVIET TANKS IN VILNA

Anti-Jewish Riot: 50 Badly Hurt

KAUNAS, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—Forty Soviet tanks from Vilna entered Vilna last night.

The reason for their arrival is unknown.

Lithuanian troops appeared in the streets earlier, following an anti-Jewish demonstration in which 50 Jews were badly injured.

Attacks on Jews and the plundering and wrecking of Jewish flats continued for several hours.

The Jewish communities in Vilna and Kaunas are appealing to the Lithuanian Government.

etc. from Soviet, informed circles in Moscow state.

The major factors are inadequate transport in Russia and the backwardness of Soviet industry, which is not even able to produce enough for home consumption.

These factors apply to oil, food, raw materials and raw materials.

AMERICA

MOLOTOFF REBUKED

U.S. Suspicious Of His Criticism

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" WASHINGTON, Nov. 1 (UP).—Mr. Stephen Early, Secretary to the White House, to-day charged that the Soviet Foreign Minister's criticism of President Roosevelt's neutrality policy was timed to coincide with the important House of Representatives' vote on the United States Neutrality Bill.

He said the United States is curious as to the reason for M. Molotov's criticism and that it is considered open to question whether it is purely coincidental that M. Molotov should choose to make such an important speech at a time when the House is voting.

"It would seem to me that he had the arms embargo in mind, rather more than what he termed the President's moral support for Finland. The embargo is strictly a matter for the Congress of the United States to decide," Mr. Early said.

He added that he did not know whether President Roosevelt has yet read M. Molotov's speech.

Question Of Timing

WASHINGTON, NOV. 1 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt's secretary, in a statement to-day questioned whether it was purely coincidental that M. Molotov criticised the President at a time when an important vote was scheduled in Washington on the Neutrality Legislation.

He added: "I think personally that the decision to speak and to give the first revelations on the points being discussed between Finland and the U.S.S.R. whether by coincidence or not, seems worth considering as a question of timing."

Independence- Essential

Finnish Minister's Reply To Soviets

HELSINKI, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—"It is impossible for Finland to consent to any arrangement which would remove her independence and chances of self-defence," declared M. Erikko, the Finnish Foreign Minister, in a speech here to-night.

M. Erikko added: "Finland cannot see any danger of Russia's security being threatened from the Finnish State or territory."

Willing To Help

"Should a third power attempt to use Finland as a base for attack on the Soviet, we should resist such an attempt with the fullest force."

Finland had declared her willingness to assist Russia to strengthen the Leningrad and Finnish defences. The Treaty of Dorpat (establishing Finnish independence) and the Russo-Finnish non-aggression pact provided the basis for all possible negotiations, he concluded.

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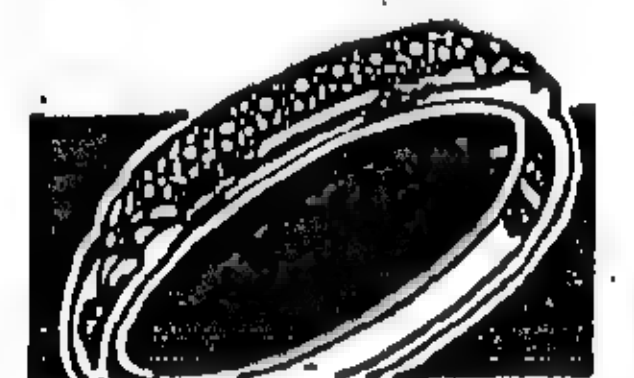
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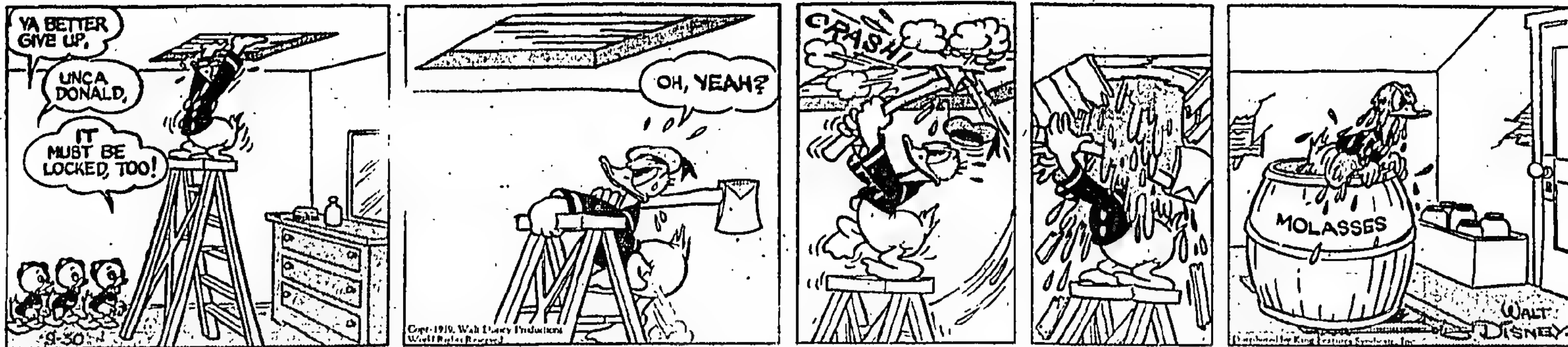
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Bombardment Repelled By Chinese Coastal Defences JAPANESE CRUISERS SWING INTO ACTION IN KWANGTUNG

"CENTRAL NEWS" MESSAGES RECEIVED THIS MORNING REVEALED THAT THE JAPANESE MADE USE OF WARSHIPS IN THEIR OPERATIONS LAST WEEK.

On the evening of October 29, six Japanese warships steamed near Nampang Island, off the western Kwangtung coast at Yeung-kong, and fired over 40 shells on Tungping on the mainland. Several civilians were killed and wounded, and a number of houses were destroyed.

Later ten pinnaces were lowered from the warships to convey Japanese bluejackets for a landing.

However, the fire of the Chinese defence units proved so accurate that the Japanese, after several hours of fighting, were repulsed.

In Chekiang, a Japanese gunboat shelled the Chenhai coast. Chinese land batteries replied and scored two hits, causing the vessel to steam off.

Aircraft Active

Japanese aircraft were also active during the week. On Saturday, a Japanese plane, one of a squadron attacking Wuchow, was shot down by Chinese defence units. It crashed in flames and the crew were killed. Two other machines bombed Hwuyung, on the north bank of the

Tungting Lake in North Hunan, yesterday. The machines had visited Changsha, Hongkang, Hongkong, Shaoyang, Chihkiang, Tsuyun, Changteh, Lihien, Linli and other towns for reconnaissance.

On land, a Japanese force of 1,700 launched an attack on Peomaling and Yangmiao, south of Ninghsing, on the Peking-Hankow Railway last Sunday. Following a day-long battle, they were hurled back, leaving many dead behind.

Kiangsi Operations

In Kiangsi, the Japanese made another attempt to "mop up" Chinese guerrillas atop Minshan, a hill lying between Juichang and Tahan. Once more, the attempt ended in failure. It is reported, as a result of the defeat of puppet troops.

Amongst the Japanese were a number of puppet troops, who revolted on the way.

Taking advantage of this, Chinese troops launched an attack and broke up the column.

A report from Loyang states that a Japanese force on the Yungsi-Fenglingtu sector in southwest Shansi commenced an eastward drive last Sunday. It is being held in check by the Chinese at Siaoheh, where fighting is proceeding.

Detachment Surrounded

The Chinese claim that a Japanese detachment pushing towards Yuntai-han has been surrounded by the Chinese and completely annihilated. Another detachment striking at Tso-ching has been beaten back.

The only Chinese offensive reported in this morning's messages is that in Anhwei. It is reported that Chinese forces operating in the south of the province launched an offensive on the Japanese near Kweichin, on the south bank of the Yangtze River last week.

A number of important points were recaptured by the Chinese, who are said to be marching on Yingchiawei. Extensive Japanese military movements have been noticed along the Yang River.

Nazi Sadism Fresh Evidence Of Camp Horrors

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—There is more confirmation of the Government's White Paper on Nazi brutality in a letter to the "Times" from the legal tribunal which has been considering the Kent cases of 3,600 aliens.

All are Jews or of Jewish blood. The letter states that in a rail journey to a concentration camp, three men in a wagon were shot and their bodies thrown from the train when they complained of the heat.

Seven Murdered

The tribunal is satisfied that at least seven men were murdered on the way.

In winter on the other hand the whole camp was forced to stand for one night and part of next day in their night attire in the open air. Many men died.

On arrival in camp, young and old were beaten with sticks or prodded with bayonets by Black Guards.

There were stories of old men who fell down and were kicked.

Labour Party's Views

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—The Labour Party's view of the White Paper is that it shows that cold-blooded inhumanity in the deliberate policy of the Nazi leaders towards those whose only "crime" is their political or religious beliefs or their race.

The White Paper was not war propaganda. The statement adds that the German people must surely end this tyranny sooner or later.

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6.45 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.45 Dance Music.

8.45 London Relay—"Brief Interlude" with Ida Shepley and Elizabeth Welch. The B.B.C. Variety Orchestra conducted by Mark H. Lubbock.

9.30 The Regimental Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.

9.45 The Gay Nineties Singers. Pretty Polly Perkins of Paddington Green. (Traditional); Hot Coddles (Traditional); The One-Horse Shay (Traditional); Botany Bay (Traditional).

9.55 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

10.05 Ivor Novello in "The Dancing Years".

10.25 Lionel Monckton—"A Country Girl"—Selection. London Theatre Orchestra.

10.35 Piano Selections by Hale Da Costa.

10.45 Studio—Talk on "Some Early Recollections" by F. Witham.

11.05 London Relay—The News.

11.30 Saint-Saens—Carnival of the Animals. Leopold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Orchestra.

11.52 Songs by Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone). There's a Birdie Hanging On The Wall (Carson Robinson); Song of the Grateful Heart (Ord. Hamilton); A Sea Call (Ramon); Life and Death (Coleridge-Taylor).

12.00 Elgar—Concerto in B Minor, Op. 61. Yehudi Menuhin (Violin) and the London Symphony Orchestra conducted by Sir Edward Elgar.

11 Close Down.

How Air Force Is Prepared

Remarkable Tests Of Machines Over France

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter's War Service).—Bronzed pilots and crews from Britain and the Dominions are daily carrying out attacks on their own aerodromes in France, says "Reuter's" special correspondent with the Air Force in France.

They are keeping in training for the destruction, when ordered, of Nazi aerodromes, in anticipation of which an extensive and highly-successful reconnaissance was carried out over the aerodromes in Northern Germany this week.

"Reuter's" correspondent witnessed to-day a low-flying bombing attack by the aircraft of one squadron whose motto "We Sweep the Enemy from the Skies" is symbolised by a broom hung outside the operation tent.

It took them only 15 seconds to reach their objectives, representing a machine gun post, bomb dump and a line of grounded planes, while momentarily varying their height and direction in order to avoid imaginary

Thieves who broke into a godown at Sal On Lane during the early hours yesterday, stole 13 tins of woodoil valued at \$500.

End Rheumatism While You Sleep

If you suffer sharp, stabbing pains, if joints are swollen, if you feel tired, if you have a fever, if you have a headache, if you have a sore throat, if you have a cough, if you have a cold, if you have a flu, if you have a pneumonia, if you have a tuberculosis, if you have a cancer, if you have a leukemia, if you have a lymphoma, if you have a sarcoma, if you have a melanoma, if you have a carcinoma, if you have a glioma, if you have a meningioma, if you have a neurofibroma, if you have a schwannoma, if you have a lipoma, if you have a fibroma, if you have a myxoma, if you have a chondroma, if you have a osteoma, if you have a sarcoma, if you have a melanoma, if you have a carcinoma, if you have a glioma, if you have a meningioma, if you have a neurofibroma, if you have a schwannoma, if you have a lipoma, if you have a fibroma, if you have a myxoma, if you have a chondroma, if you have a osteoma, if you have a sarcoma, if you have a melanoma, if you have a carcinoma, if you have a 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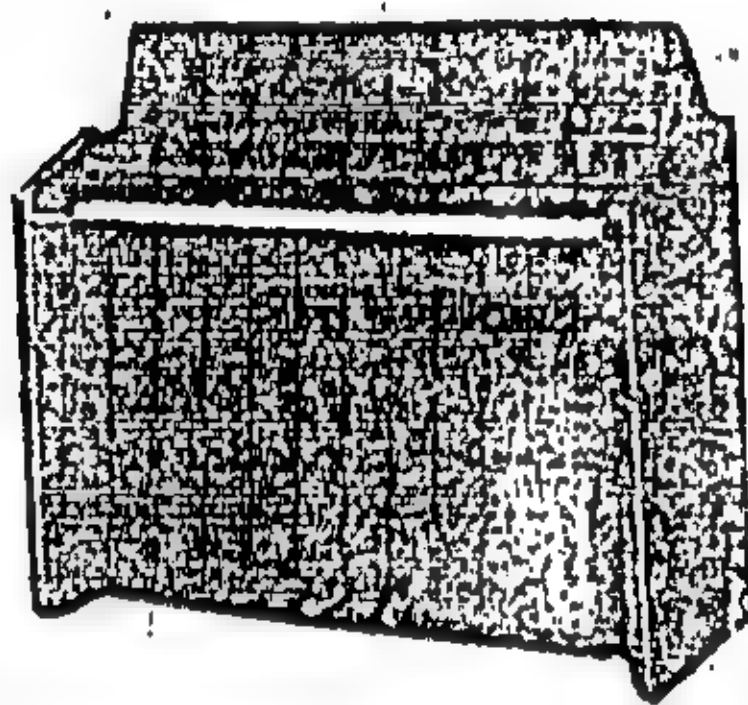
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"Peace" Tactics

AGGRESSION, Monsieur Molotov would have us believe, is no longer aggression once the deed is accomplished.

Germany and Russia having "ennobled" the Polish people, want nothing better than to be left alone with their spoils, and anyone who disturbs them or threatens to wrest back from them the fruits of their aggression himself becomes the aggressor and the aggressor becomes the victim. It is one of the most fantastic arguments ever perpetrated by a responsible head of Government. Even Hitler himself could hardly be guilty of such fatuousness.

M. Molotov is not the world's most convincing advocate of Herr Hitler. His plea to-day must strike chords of remembrance—the passionate Soviet advocacy of war against Italy when the Ethiopian adventure was launched; the invitation to France and Britain to join Russia in marching into Czechoslovakia when that country was dismembered.

In fact, M. Molotov is crying peace where there is no peace, but rather diplomacy. He seems willing to appear so naive as to misunderstand the position of Britain and France in the tragedy the Third Reich's invasion of Poland set in motion. Because Poland has been shattered under the hammer blows of an oligarchy in Berlin, Molotov sees nothing left for the Allies to fight for. He overlooks the fact that the Allies' pledges to Poland were symbols of a determination to stand against that evil which the destruction of Poland also symbolises.

Intentionally or otherwise, Russia is doing Reichsführer Hitler one more favour by thus stacking the diplomatic cards to make a deal. In Herr Hitler's favour more moral. For it is not peace M. Molotov asks for. It is a surrender which could be—and probably would be—exploited by the Totalitarian Powers—of which Russia is one—as previous diplomatic surrenders and concessions have been.

M. Molotov's judgment that the Allies have compromised their moral position by continuing the war after Poland collapsed will not be taken very seriously anywhere in the world, coming as it does from the Foreign Minister of a government which has compromised its ideology and its previous assertions of peace-lovingness by its pre-war deal with Hitler.

The second round in the "peace offensive", launched this time by



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Comrades

"And whether one member suffer, all the members suffer with it; or one member be honoured, all the members rejoice with it."—I. CORINTHIANS, XII, 26.

THE Rev. Pat McCormick, vicar of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, stood in the lofty pulpit of his church and spoke of Fellowship.

"In the last war," he said, "we knew the great value of the fellowship which every man in the trenches. We realised that comradeship which overcame all ranks. And we must do so again, for the sake of our country and the cause for which we are fighting."

The vicar of St. Martin was a chaplain in South Africa and in the last war. He was decorated with the Distinguished Service Order for gallantry, and that Sunday morning he wore two rows of medals, testifying to his long and varied services with the Forces of the Crown.

He addressed a huge congregation which occupied every seat in the church which may well be said to be the parish church of London's West End. It was a congregation which was different from the ordinary assembly of people which in days of peace meet below the blue and gold decorated ceiling for Sunday morning prayer.

In every other pew were serving officers and men of all ranks—commanders of the Royal Navy, majors of the General List, squadron leaders of the Royal Air Force, ratings, airmen, other ranks.

When the war broke out Pat McCormick was recovering from a severe illness which had kept him in hospital for months. But to-day he is back in his pulpit, enjoining on the noble Dick Sheppard in endeavouring to bring back the humanity of Christianity to those who pass by.

He selected as his theme the universality of religion in times of distress as expressed by St. Paul. "It would like to impress on you," he continued, "the necessity of working together at this time. We must work together as a Church and as a nation, for we are members of one another."

"There are different forms of fellowship. There is nothing like it in the world which can help us learn more deeply and quickly the necessity of putting personal differences on one side."

"We have all to make sacrifices all round, no matter what our station. But in that sacrifice remember it is part of the Divine economy that common suffering should not be divorced from common rejoicing."

"For in the darkest hour there is always something to rejoice over. The act of heroic suffering on the one part may be cause for rejoicing on the other. For in this we are all members of one cause."

"In the days to come do not look on the bad things, but remember the many splendid things which are happening around you. Think of the noble sacrifice made by many as part of the day's work. Why only this week there was cause for great rejoicing amid all the present suffering at the simple matter-of-fact way in which seaplanes picked up survivors of a ship sunk at sea. There was no parade of heroes, although there was great heroism. Keep such things in your minds and it will aid you in taking your part in the fellowship of the Church and the nation."

"Thank God for what your fellow men are doing for what you can do yourself in the common cause."

the Soviet, appears less an offensive for peace than an offensive by "peace". The cry of peace is now just another weapon in the arsenal of dictatorial diplomacy. When real peace is intended the peoples of the world will see that their leaders heed its spokesmen.

How the convoy system operates

BY COMMANDER H. PURSEY

THE introduction, within a few days of the outbreak of war, of the old-time convoy system for the protection of our merchant shipping is a great advance on the tardy steps taken in the Great War, when it was not adopted until after nearly three years of hostilities.

Germany's present plan, as was to be expected—with a fleet greatly inferior to our own and the number of her submarines considerably less than at the height of the 1917 U-boat campaign—is to make the greatest use of her "assassins of the sea" while they have the opportunity.

Certain losses on our side are inevitable, but some of our recent casualties have been ships unable to reach a friendly port in time.

IN the last war, for various reasons, the convoy system was not started until after Germany's unrestricted submarine campaign had begun and, indeed, was not in full operation until some months afterwards.

This campaign began in February, 1917, when Germany announced that all ships of whatever nationality, approaching the British Isles would be liable to attack without warning.

In the following April, the worst month, 430 ships of 852,000 tons were sunk. This was at a greater rate than they could be replaced; while, on the other hand, U-boats were being com-

pleted faster than we were destroying them. The German success made it manifest that unless something was done, and quickly, to reduce considerably our losses the end of the war in the near future could be predicted with mathematical precision.

Germany had based her prospects of winning the war on such calculations, but, as with many others of her plans, they were completely upset by the adoption of new measures.

PRACTICE of conveying merchant shipping in times of war was a well-established one even in the days of sailing ships, but there were various technical objections to its being adopted in the first two and a half years of the Great War.

Among them were unavoidable delay in holding up ships awaiting convoy, and the fact that it could only proceed at the speed of the slowest ship; the vast number of ships to be dealt with, and the small number of naval vessels available; the larger size of target—later found to be no disadvantage—and the difficulties of station-keeping with untamed officers.

Most of these objections proved themselves to be possible of solution. Delays could be reduced by organisation, and station-keeping improved with training.

Experimental convoys were run from North America and Gibraltar with complete success, and the system was extended to the Mediterranean, North Sea and elsewhere, until practically all our shipping was protected in this manner.

The practice was, and is, for ships to

assemble at certain ports of departure. The masters are then informed of the procedure at sea, emphasis being laid on the importance of correct station-keeping, darkening ship, zig-zagging, and the action to be taken in the event of submarine attack.

The formation depends on the number of ships, their positions in columns, and the distance apart of both ships and columns, being arranged to present the smallest target to a submarine and to develop the maximum defensive gunfire.

The naval escort, consisting of cruisers, armed merchant cruisers, escort vessels or destroyers, is stationed around the convoy to ward off any attack.

For further security the whole convoy steers zig-zag courses according to a prearranged plan, which makes it much more difficult for a submarine to make a successful torpedo attack.

Among the advantages of convoy is the fact that a submarine has only one opportunity of striking a single vessel separately, and the escort ships prevent this attack being made from a favourable position.

The sinking of merchant ships by gunfire from a submarine, or by scuttling, frequent occurrences in the early part of the last war, is also stopped.

In the event of a torpedo attack, whether the submarine, or only the path of the torpedo is sighted, her position is known and she is instantly hunted down.

DURING the last war I served in a destroyer employed on such convoy work on the East Coast, and a successful submarine hunt is vividly recalled.

In July, 1918, a convoy was attacked off Wexford by U.B. 110. A motor launch sighted the periscope and immediately dropped a couple of depth charges. Another motor launch rushed in and also dropped her "eggs."

The U-boat's captain ordered a "crash dive," but it was too late. The explosions jammed her hydroplanes to "rise," and brought the submarine to the surface.

H.M. destroyer Garry rushed in at high speed and rammed the submarine twice, causing her to capsize and sink. Thirteen of her crew of 26 were saved. This U-boat was salvaged and taken into Harrow dock.

ONCE established, the convoy system soon proved a triumphant success. From May, 1917, until the end of the war, 1,539 ships—or over 90 per cent. of the total—were safely escorted.

In the same 16 months only 102 vessels were torpedoed while in convoy—a number less than a quarter of that for April, 1917.

At present we have several advantages as compared with any period of the Great War. Germany has less than half the number of submarines she had in 1917, and of this number, about sixty, 25 are of a small type which will probably restrict them to the North Sea.

On the other hand, as is well known, our anti-submarine devices and destruction measures have made great progress in the last 20 years. Enemy submarines have no defence against our depth-charges or our secret detection apparatus.

For over two years Mercantile Marine officers have been receiving special courses of instruction in the defence measures to be taken in every possible emergency. This year crews have been trained to fight their defensive guns.

Though Germany may carry out a policy of frightfulness, by sinking ships without warning, this policy is doomed to failure from the start.

Both the Navy and the Merchant Service have the greatest faith in the organisation and success of the convoy system, and with the gallantry and devotion to duty of the officers and men, the almost immediate defeat of the present menace at sea is assured.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"Pierre tries the most daring experiments—to-day he used just plain soap and water on me!"



Picture of the Rescue

THIS dramatic picture was taken at the actual moment when the 32 survivors of the British steamer Blairlogie—sunk by a U-boat off Ireland—were being rescued. They are clinging from their boat aboard the United States ship American Shipper, which turned back 150 miles after receiving their S O S and took them to Boston, Mass.

City of Flint Officer in London, Gives— GRAPHIC BROADCAST OF SHIP'S SEIZURE

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—In a broadcast from Daventry to-day, the American wireless operator of the City of Flint told the story of the ship's capture by the German warship Deutschland.

The operator escaped at Tromsø and was the only member of the City of Flint's crew to do so.

The City of Flint, he said, left New York on October 3, bound for various British ports. She was due at Manchester on October 9, the ship was sailing north-eastward on a steady course at about 10 knots.

When the Deutschland was first sighted, those on board took her for either an Allied or an American warship.

Guns Trained On Ship
She came up very quickly with all guns trained on the City of Flint and signalled her by flags to stop.

Then the City of Flint was ordered not to use her wireless.

When the Deutschland was about a quarter of a mile away, she broke the German ensign.

A boarding party came alongside in an open boat, and examined the ship's papers.

Those on board the City of Flint thought that they would be sent back to America, but the Germans said they were sorry but they would have to take them all to Germany.

An armed guard consisting of 18 men, including a reserve officer, a warrant officer, two radio operators, a signal rating, a petty officer and other ratings, were put aboard.

Crew Threatened
Their armament consisted of a machine gun, hand grenades, revolvers and bayonets.

They said that if the City of Flint's crew gave any trouble, a hand grenade would be thrown among them.

One hand grenade was dropped in the sea to give the men an idea of the explosion.

All this took about an hour and a half.

Most of the German sailors spoke a little English, while the officer spoke it fluently. They were mostly young men and wore hornrimmed boots. Their hat-ribbons were from all sorts of ships, including the Emden.

They said the Deutschland was overpowered because they had several prize crews aboard.

They came from Spanish waters, where they had been before the war started. They also spoke of having seen U.S. Coast Guard cutters hurrying to escort the American ship Iroquois.

Stonogate's Fate
They wondered why the British steamer Stonogate, sunk recently, left the convoy where she would be safe.

They seemed to know all about the convoy.

Armed guards were placed on the

MEN KEPT OUT OF SIGHT

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Nov. 1 (UP).—The captured American freighter City of Flint is "still continuing safely her trip to the South."

Unconfirmed reports state that the ship is being escorted by a German submarine and two destroyers and that she had been sighted steaming down the Norwegian coast within the 3-mile limit.

An Oslo report states that the City of Flint is steadily moving southward, inside Norwegian territorial waters, and will pass off the port of Bergen before morning.

It is reported that the American crew is safe and well. It is believed that they were kept below decks during the brief stop at Tromsø.

engine room, bridge and radio room. Not a single message was sent on the radio all the way to Norway. They also brought 30 men from the Stonogate, including one passenger, with them.

New Pact Is Defended

Turkish President's
Speech To Assembly

ANKARA, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—President Inönü, opening the Turkish National Assembly, declared that the Anglo-Turkish Pact was directed against no other party.

Its purpose was to assure Turkey's security, at the same time serving peace and international security at least in the zone where Turkey's influence could be exercised.

It followed Turkey's aim in opposing herself to the extension of the tragedy of war by creating a region of security in Europe, which was struggling in the horrors of war.

Not Disturbing Influence
"The Pact only comes into effect if some state seeks to trample our lawful aspirations," he continued.

"Apart from this eventuality, our bonds with our allies, and the high ideal which we have proclaimed together are not a character to disturb our normal friendly relations with other states."

"We sincerely desire to keep the country outside the zone of war, providing that our security is not compromised nor our undertakings violated."

Soviet-Turkish Relations

The President did not allude to M. Molotov's speech, but referring to M. Sarajoglu's visit to Moscow, he said that while it failed to achieve the aim of a closer friendship linking the two countries rested on a solid basis, and the circumstances and obstacles arising from the temporary necessities of the present time must not be allowed to impair this friendship.

"As hitherto the friends who are faithful to us may expect nothing but straightforwardness and goodwill from us," declared the President.

Regent's Approval

BAGHDAD, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—Opening Parliament to-day, the Regent expressed cordial approval of the Anglo-Franco-Turkish Pact, which enables this part of the world to regard the future with confidence.

Envoy's Report To Be Published

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Puppet Representations To French Concession

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SHANGHAI, Nov. 2 (Domest).

—In view of the frequent occurrence of terrorist outrages in the French Concession, Mayor Fu Siao-en of the Shanghai Special Municipality on Wednesday has filed representations with M. M. Baudez, the French Consul-General, asking for stricter control of Chinese terrorists and effective maintenance of peace and order in the Concession.

Mayor Fu's note calls attention to the murder by Chinese gunmen of Li Chin-piao, councillor of the Shanghai Special Municipality, on October 28 on Malang Road in the French Concession, and the murder of Professor Wang Fu-yen, of Fudan University, by terrorists on the same day on Route Tenant de Lator in the French Concession.

Still At Large

While those responsible for these outrages were believed to be still at large, the note adds, peace and order in the foreign settlement are greatly menaced by the activities of ter-

The Stonogate men said they had been very well-treated.

Food was plain except on Sunday which was the big day because they had strawberries.

The Deutschland, they said, was sailing on a zig-zag course before she stopped the City of Flint.

Under the German officer's orders, the City of Flint headed for the extreme north of the north Norwegian coast, while the Deutschland made off in the other direction.

The Germans seemed quite confident that if they reached Norway they would be able to get down to Germany safely.

Reached Norway

They reached the Norwegian coast safely, but at first they did not know where they were. They were taking soundings until morning.

They then picked up a Norwegian pilot and went down the coast a little way to Tromsø.

The Norwegian pilot did not realise that a German prize crew was on board the City of Flint until he came aboard. He nearly fell back into the water with astonishment.

They reached Tromsø safely and there the American and German consuls came.

This concluded the radio operator's talk from Daventry. He did not reveal details of his escape from the City of Flint and her Nazi prize crew.

Streaming Down Coast

OSLO, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—The City of Flint is now passing the Lofoten Islands, about one-third of the way down the Norwegian coast.

It is steaming along slowly in Norwegian waters, and hopes to reach a German port.

Berlin Still Silent

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—The German Government is still "without information" about the City of Flint's crew.

The United States Embassy in Berlin has been asking for information three times a day, but so far has got no satisfaction.

Golf

Fanling Starting Times

The following starting times have been arranged by the Royal Hongkong Golf Club for matches in the Jasper Clark Cup and the Qualifying Round of the Club Championship on Sunday:

N.C.	O.C.	N.C.	O.C.
9.15 a.m.	1.00 p.m.	A. K. Mackenzie,	A. K. Mackenzie,
9.20 .. 1.05 ..	1.05 ..	R. Young,	R. Young,
9.25 .. 1.10 ..	1.10 ..	D. J. Gilmore,	D. J. Gilmore,
9.30 .. 1.15 ..	1.15 ..	Major Johnston,	Major Johnston,
9.35 .. 1.20 ..	1.20 ..	Surgeon Cdr. Nicholson,	Surgeon Cdr. Nicholson,
9.40 .. 1.25 ..	1.25 ..	K. S. Robertson,	K. S. Robertson,
9.45 .. 1.30 ..	1.30 ..	A. McKellar,	A. McKellar,
9.50 .. 1.35 ..	1.35 ..	F. Tomworth,	F. Tomworth,
		E. A. Redmond,	E. A. Redmond,
		G. M. Wark,	G. M. Wark,
		L. Goldman,	L. Goldman,
		W. W. G. Sheehan,	W. W. G. Sheehan,
		W. J. S. Key,	W. J. S. Key,
		L. S. Andrews,	L. S. Andrews,
		D. S. Robb,	D. S. Robb,

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rorists, who "are directed and financed by Chungking agents."

If the French Municipal Council authorities fail to arrest the assassins responsible for the murder of the Chinese City Government's officials, Mayor Fu observes that the prestige of the French Consul-General will become questionable and the Concession authorities will be blamed for neglecting their duties.

Heart Trouble Caused by High Blood Pressure

If you have pains around the heart, palpitation, dizziness, headaches at top and back of head and above eyes, shortness of breath, feel nervous, or suffer from poor sleep, loss of memory, your tongue is probably coated and dry, your urine is probably caused by high blood pressure. This is a mysterious disease that causes more deaths than cancer, because the symptoms are so common and usually mistaken for some simple ailment. If you suffer from any of these symptoms, your body may be endangered by heart trouble or a paralytic stroke, and you should start treatment at once. The very first dose of Zoric, a new medical discovery, reduces high blood pressure and makes you feel young again in a few days. Get rid of your heart trouble and your blood pressure, and you will feel well and strong and money back on return of empty package.



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RATIONING AT HOME

Butter And Bacon To
Be Included

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Nov. 1 (UP).—Mr. William Morrison, the Food Minister, has announced that rationing of bacon and butter will begin about mid-December.

Each commodity will be rationed to four ounces per week per person "provided imports continue at the present rate, as we have good reason to think."

Both bacon and butter are perishable and unsuitable for storage, consequently there was no Government reserve when war started.

It is expected, said Mr. Morrison, that supplies will increase later but at present, imports from European sources have been reduced and there has been no time to fill the gap from more distant sources.

No Sugar Rationing

Sugar will not be rationed as there are sufficient supplies to meet normal requirements. If the public would restrict their purchases to one pound per week per person, there would be sufficient for some months.

Consumers will register for sugar but will not use ration books, thus enabling the Food Ministry to ascertain the necessary distribution without actual rationing.

Meat will be rationed but "supplies in sight for the future are ample to meet all reasonable requirements for both the Services and the civilian population," Mr. Morrison said, and urged housewives throughout Britain to do their utmost to conserve foodstuffs.

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BIG AIR BASE ORDERED

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1, (UP).—The Navy Department has awarded two Baltimore firms a \$7,500,000 contract to construct a huge new air base at San Juan, Puerto Rico, in connection with the programme for strengthening defences in the Caribbean Sea.

The new base is one of 12 which Congress authorised for Atlantic and Pacific defences at a total cost of \$63,000,000.

The Army has announced they are sending six medium twin-engine bombing planes to San Juan in November to augment the Air Force there.

Nazi Losses Mount To Over 500,000 Tons

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—Mr. Ronald Cross, the Minister for Economic Warfare, broadcasting from London to-day, revealed that seizures of goods destined for Germany had now comfortably exceeded half a million tons.

They included petrol, iron, aluminium, copper and phosphates.

This was only a small proportion of Germany's real losses as the result of British mastery of the seas, because many over-sea shippers had not even attempted to send goods to Germany.

Only 14 Per Cent. Foodstuffs
Referring to the Nazi complaints that the control was inhumane, Mr. Cross declared that only 14 per cent. of the total seizures would normally have been classified as food, including nine per cent. of oils and fats, which the Germans could use equally easily as munitions or food.

In this connection, Mr. Cross recalled that the German leaders had already decided that guns were preferable to butter.

Much of the remaining 40 per cent. consisted of cereals, which could be used for food or converted into alcohol for use as motor spirit.

Pertinent Question
The remaining 86 per cent. con-

sisted of materials, which could be used directly for war purposes, and could not be used as food.

Mr. Cross added: "In modern times, no government does more than the Germans to abolish the distinction between the Army and civilian population. We may well ask what is the object of the German submarine campaign if not to prevent all cargoes and foodstuffs from reaching this country?"

New British Army Commander

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—It is learned that Lieut. General Sir Ronald Adam has been appointed to command the Third Army Corps of the British Expeditionary Force.

Major-General H. R. S. Massey has been appointed Deputy Chief of the Imperial General Staff.

IMPORTANT POINT IN HOCKEY

Penalising Stationary Player: Umpires Must Use Their Discretion

(By "Pilgrim")

"A CERTAIN PLAYER, after he was penalised, issued a challenge to the umpire to tell him what rule of the game he had broken. It appears he was absolutely stationary and the ball rebounded off his body. The umpire penalised, although, as the offender says: 'My leg was stationary, the ball was not hit by me, it was not carried by me, nor was it propelled by me.' He, therefore, challenges the umpire to tell him the rules he has broken—Quite an interesting point."

NOW let us refer to Rule 10, clause (c): "The ball shall not be picked up, kicked, thrown, carried or propelled in any manner or direction except with the stick." Referring to the notes on the Rules issued by the International Board, it says in regard to clauses (d) and (e) of Rule 10:

"If, in the opinion of the umpire, the ball is unintentionally stopped by the body of a player, or he is accidentally struck by the ball, para. (d) will not apply, and the player should not be penalised, unless he infringes para. (e)." I have already quoted para. (e) above.

A further note on the Rules by the International Board states: "(e). To cause a breach of this rule there must be some definite action or movement by the player." The fact that the player in question was stationary at the time creates a little ambiguity in one's mind as to what should have been done. Why was he penalised?

PERSONAL RULING

IN my considered view, the particular playing point must be properly divided into two definite categories. Even supposing there was no actual action or movement by the player, I should rule on this matter as follows:

(a) If, while a player was stationary, this rebound, or "knock-on" occurred, I should, as an umpire, use plain discretion. If the rebound was of no real advantage to a player of his own side, I should allow the game to proceed without interruption. (b) If, however, such a rebound gave a definite advantage to a player of his own side, such as being converted into a good pass, and, as such, gaining a distinct playing advantage I should penalise him.

I am now interpreting the spirit and not the lettering of the rule. Umpires should also take the former into consideration. It is, of course, a most difficult point for legislation, and it seems to me that the umpires need only be officially instructed, and be allowed full discretionary power to decide each incident on its merits. It is only the umpire who can review these matters on the spot, and decide whether an advantage has or has not been gained.

THE NEW FRENCH REMEDY. THERAPION No. 1 THERAPION No. 2 THERAPION No. 3

Hockey Association Council Meeting

A Council meeting of the Hongkong Hockey Association will be held at St. Andrew's Church Hall this evening at 6 p.m. As there are several important items on the agenda to be discussed, a full attendance of members is requested.

The Horse Of The Year

Challendon Wins In Third Outing

BALTIMORE, Nov. 1 (UP).—William Brann's Challendon, the king of America's three-year-olds, and the greatest of Maryland's red colts in a decade, won his third outing to-day in the Pimlico Special, gaining the undisputed title of "the horse of the year." The time was 1.59 mins.

C. S. Howard's Kayak was second, half a length behind, and T. B. Martin's Cravat third, twelve lengths further back. Challendon featured a smashing finish after Kayak had rounded the final bend.

Lawn Bowls

Governor's Rinks Lose To Recreio

At Government House yesterday, His Excellency the Governor's lawn bowls team lost to the Club de Recreio by 36 shots to 67.

Scores: Walker, T. McLeod, Deacon, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, lost to F. Xavier, J. E. Noronha, Leo d'Almeida, Ruben, J. E. Noronha, Leo d'Almeida, J. P. 32-21. J. A. Fraser, Milne, S. H. Dodwell, L. A. Searle, lost to L. Gutierrez, P. Yanovich, A. M. Rodriguez, J. Dario 13-24. Collins, R. C. Lindell, H. H. Pegg, J. C. B. Fender, lost to H. A. Botelho, C. M. Alves, L. Xavier, R. L. Lutz 11-22.

TAIKOO CLOSING DAY The closing day and presentation of prizes of the lawn bowls section of Tarkoo Club will be held on Saturday at 2.45 p.m.



Heads it's mine! A duel between an Eastern forward and Royal Navy defender in their first division soccer match at the Hongkong F.C. last Sunday. Eastern won 6-2.—Ming Yuen.

Rugby

Navy Trounce Club "A"

KEN FORROW REVEALS PROMISING FORM

(By "Fly-half")

NAVY continued their winning vein when yesterday evening they over-ran a Club "A" team which included some 1st XV men and Ken Forrow, who is at present Club soccer captain, by 26-3. The seamen played several players who have featured in the 1st Navy side.

FORROW succeeded in scoring Club's try after Butcher had made the way clear for him. His soccer instincts were too prominent, such as using his feet instead of his hands when the ball was debited his way by the Navy men. This was his first game, however, and his form must be taken as promising. Club failed miserably in the line-outs, where only Stout caught and brought the ball to his feet correctly. The rest were inclined to pat back, or attempt to. Stout was, in fact, the only Club forward to show up well. He failed miserably, however, with his attempt to convert from in front of the posts.

BURFORD DISAPPOINTS BURFORD, making his first appearance this season, disappointed with his hooking. At one time in the game, at least six attempts were required before the ball was hooked. On yesterday's play, Burford is much below the form which gained him Interport honours last year for Shanghai.

Blidwell appeared for Club in the unusual position of scrum-half, where he was given very few opportunities. Butcher played well. He followed up his long kick ahead to gather the ball after its first bounce (a lucky one for him), and then when sandwiched between two Navy men, he passed to Forrow who made for the line unopposed.

Annual Golf Competition

The annual golf competition in aid of the Red Cross Society and the Order of St. John of Jerusalem produced 141 entries, and was played throughout October at Fanling. W. Hewitt (17) three up was the winner. Other scores were: Major A. G. Thoms (10) two up; Major P. A. Mack (10) one up; Major W. G. Harvey (10) one up; R. Young (11) one up; W. Sharp (9) one up; P. L. Jackson (14) one up; P. Morrison (14) one up; and J. B. Harrison (20) one up.

Navy's strong determined running had the Club backs at sixes and sevens. The Naval players exploited the boot and rush methods of attack with success, finding the handling of the Club backs poor. Kay, at stand-off half, was very reliable, and opened up the game splendidly for his backs. He got good service from the scrum from Clark and made good use of it. Pascoe played a steady game at full-back, but was at fault when Club scored by following for the ball to bounce, following a kick ahead, instead of gathering it in the air.

NAVY SUPERIOR THE NAVY forwards were superior in every department to the Club.

Latest Alterations For Cesarewitch

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—The following alterations have been made to the list of probable starters for the Cesarewitch: Cellate will be ridden by Gilbert, Sierra Nevada by Pell, Fulano (Weston), Lister (Young), Mario (W. Christie), Valentine (G. Christie), Suspension (Filton), Lucky Patch (P. Evans), Dr. Syntax (Haslam), Worth While (A. Burns), Apellity (Dick), Cellitus (Lynch). Starters without jockeys are Verjus, Cheerful Star and A. Sool Land. The following will not be running: Cornfield, Buxton, Hestia II, Hurry de Savole, Master Bimbo, Brunswick, Cobalt and Woodstock.

In the lineouts they obtained the ball with ease. King was particularly outstanding in this phase of the game. Navy scored tries through Kay (2), Bowden (2), Clark and Hall. Four of them were converted by Kay. Mr. Austin refereed. The teams were:

Navy—Pascoe, Hall, Carter, Jeffries and Bowden; Kay and Clark; King, Williams, Brown, Spirit, Longmaid, Marvin, Vendall and Johns. Club "A"—Hopkins; Van Leeuwen, Lavelle, L. Lammert and K. Forrow; Butcher and Blidwell; Heasman, Burford, Stout, King, Benn, Castleton, Moodie and Wanklyn.

Police 0 R. Scots 9

In a scrappy encounter at Boundary Street, the Royal Scots, without the services of Cuthbertson and Douglas, defeated a depleted Police team by nine points to nil. The Police were without the services of several regulars, and, in fact, fielded only six forwards. It was only by determined defence work by the force that the victory of the military men was not by a greater margin.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Softball Subscriptions

Sir,—I shall be grateful if you will kindly publish the following in your esteemed paper.

I strongly object to the heavy increase of entrance fee in the Ladies' Softball League from \$7 to \$12 this season, and I am sure that those who voted in favour now clearly see that the increase is not justified.

Last season the Ladies' League had 10 teams and played altogether 45 games; this season with 9 teams, the ladies will play 2 rounds which amounts to 72 games. The Secretary of the Softball Association contends that the increase is due to the higher cost of balls, but as a new ball is not supplied for every game, and the ladies do not wear out the ball as do the men, I cannot, therefore, see why there should be any increase at all.

This season more travelling expenses will be incurred as 90% of the games will be played in Prince Edward Road ground, and as teams like the Whiteos, Baby Panthers and Cubs are composed of school girls, they will have to get extra money for travelling expenses from their parents, and I am certain some of them will not relish it in these hard times.

Last season the Softball League has a credit balance, and this season the Softball Association will get an extra \$40.00 for affiliation fees. If the Men's League last season had 11 teams and played 55 games, and this season with 15 teams playing 105 games, their fee is not increased, why should the ladies be made to pay an increase at all?

I may also mention as a matter of fact that Hong League fee has not been raised.

C. M. XAVIER.

W. C. CHOY—FOUR TIMES CHAMPION

R. A. Shayes Beaten In New Malden Tourney

FOR the fourth year in succession, W. C. Choy, the Chinese Davis Cup tennis player, annexed the New Malden Club championship, beating R. A. Shayes, the British Davis Cup player, by 1-6 6-1, 6-3 in the final.

EVERYBODY present thought Shayes had the measure of his insurmountable opponent when he ran away with the first set from one game all to 6-1. His early taking of the ball and rushing to the net paid him handsomely for that set. But Shayes did nothing else than rush the net, and once Choy found his range, he also found holes in Shayes' net play. In the second set the Chinese player won the first five games, lost the sixth, and then went out.

TRUSTING TO LUCK IN the final set Shayes never attempted to alter his tactics. He had but one idea in his head—viz., to get to the net and to trust to luck.

Choy was too methodically certain with his ground shots, uncannily quick in anticipation, and he had Shayes in difficulties all the time. He led by 4-0, then Shayes had a brilliant patch, won the next three games, and had had luck in a service decision for the next game. Choy then plodded on carefully and surely to win the set at 6-3 for the match.

SPORT ADVTS.

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The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27794) will close at 12 o'clock NOON. Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 21920).

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order, C. B. BROWN, Secretary. Hongkong, 30th October, 1939.



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JAPAN'S POLICY AND WANG CHING-WEI

TOKYO, Nov. 2 (Reuter).

—Declaring that Japan's basic policy for the settlement of the China Incident seeks to realise a new order in East Asia by means of both construction and war, the "Asahi Shimbun" understands that Japan's attitude and policy towards the Wang Ching-wei regime are as follows:

1.—The Japanese Government will give unqualified support to Wang Ching-wei's preparations to establish a new Central Government of China and anticipates its early birth.

2.—Japan anticipates a smooth and autonomous development of an independent and free China from the standpoint of Japan's respect of China's sovereignty.

3.—Japan is especially concerned with the political composition of the projected regime. Japan especially desires the special nature of North China and Inner Mongolia factually to materialise.

4.—When the new government is established, Japan is prepared to give immediate de facto recognition and despatch an accredited ambassador and plenipotentiary.

5.—Japan will then seek an adjustment and co-ordination of general Sino-Japanese relations, politics, economy and culture.

6.—As regards domestic politics, culture and education, etc., the Japanese Government desires the new government to pursue its own independent policy, but the "Japanese Government will not spare assistance and co-operation in case of necessity."

7.—From this standpoint, the Japanese Government will absolutely avoid any form of assistance causing the impression that Japan is interfering with Chinese domestic politics, such as despatch of political advisers.

8.—However, Japan is ready to send a financial adviser to China provided the Central Government desires.

9.—In the fields of natural science and civil engineering, if requested Japan is ready to extend assistance in technique and personnel.

10.—As regards Sino-Japanese economic co-operation, in order to render the economic unity between Japan, Manchukuo and China more intimate, a Sino-Japanese Economic Council, similar to the one now functioning between Japan and the North China Provincial Government, is being planned as a joint Sino-Japanese organ so that reciprocal and equal economic co-operation may be effected.

Wants Recall Of Diplomat

U.S. Congressman Is
Incensed By Soviets

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).

—There were heated discussions in the House of Representatives to-day following a demand by Mr. McCormack during the debate on the Neutrality Bill, that the U.S. Ambassador in Moscow should be recalled owing to M. Molotov's criticisms of President Roosevelt.

The Republican, Mr. Hamilton Fish, described the demand as the "most warlike speech since we declared war in 1917."

The Choice

Mr. McCormack replied that as Americans they should put their country in a position, not of helping anti-God forces, but of helping those standing for Christianity and Democracy.

The main theme of the opponents to the repeal of the Arms Embargo was that retention might help to end the war in Europe, whereas repeal in the words of the Republican, Mr. Barton, might be the signal to "start a real war—the stupidest, cock-eyed war in history."

All Quiet Along Western Front

PARIS, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—The following communiqué was issued to-day:

"In the course of the day, there was the usual activity of small infantry units on both sides at various points of the front."

Local Artillery Fire

PARIS, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—Tonight's French communiqué stated that in the course of the day there was the usual activity of small infantry units on both sides at various points of the front.

A German communiqué speaks of local artillery fire, reconnaissance and isolated attacks.

It is now revealed that when the French drove back a determined German attempt to capture a village in the northern sector, they took six prisoners.

French planes made further reconnaissance flights and returned safely.

The Duke of Gloucester and Viscount Gort to-day visited artillery units in the front line.



Evacuated children from London filling sandbags on the beach at North Borwick.

Education of Kiddies Must Be Reinstated

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 1 (UP).

Earl de la Warr, President of the Board of Education, announced in the House of Lords to-day that the Government has decided to re-open as many schools as possible in the evacuated areas. "This decision must not be taken as an all clear signal for return to the evacuated areas," he said.

It is the Government's view, he added that "we cannot afford to let three quarters of a million children grow up without education, school discipline and medical care."

He counselled parents whose children are already evacuated to "leave them where they are."

"As yet we have had no air raids at all on the scale that took place in Poland," he said.

Life And Death

"That is all to the good, but we do not know what is coming, and this is quite a really a matter of life and death."

The Government has rejected the idea of compelling the remaining children to leave evacuation areas.

"The Government is not willing to take such a step except in the most desperate circumstances," Earl de la Warr stated.

It is understood that school attendance will be voluntary, probably in short shifts of three hours each.

Special protection against air raids will be provided near each of the schools.

Two Solutions

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—The Government has decided to reopen the schools in the evacuation areas.

Speaking in the House of Lords, Earl de la Warr, President of the Board of Education, stated that the present situation regarding evacuation could not be allowed to continue.

The first was to get the remaining three quarters of a million children out of the vulnerable areas. Only compulsory could do this.

The second solution was some measure of reopening of the schools in the vulnerable areas and this the Government had decided upon.

The decision must not be taken as an all-clear signal for return to the evacuation areas.

Not All-Clear Signal

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Earl de la Warr appealed to the parents to leave the children in the reception areas.

R.A.F. FLIGHTS
OVER REICH

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Nov. 1 (UP).—It is officially reported that the R.A.F., during the past 24 hours, has carried out successful reconnaissance flights over north-western Germany, where they took many photographs and returned to their base safely.

Nazi Claim Refuted

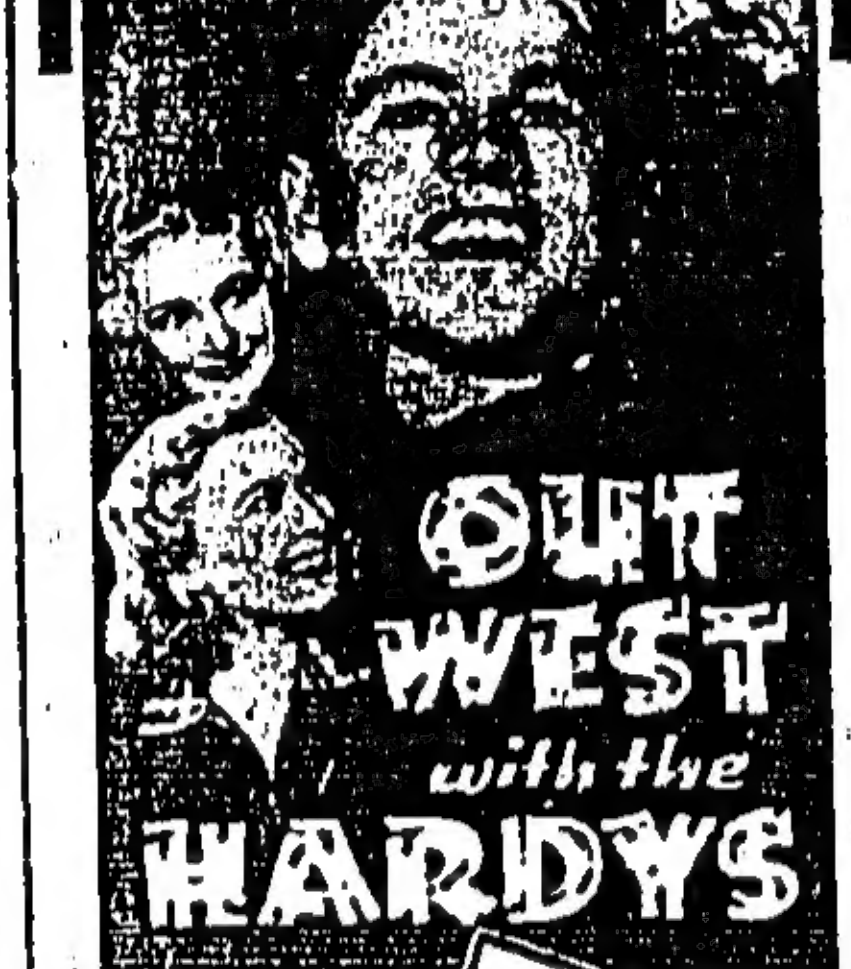
PARIS, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—The German claim that they have brought down four Allied planes is officially denied.

All French planes returned safely to their bases. One British plane is missing on the day in question.

How Doctors Treat Stomach Trouble

By Dr. Scott, M.D., Paris.

Although doctors are human, you rarely find them suffering from indigestion. The reason is that they know exactly what causes it and how to treat it. Personally, I know nothing to equal 'Bisurated' Magnesia as a speedy and lasting remedy for all digestive troubles. If I eat anything that disagrees with me I take either a teaspoonful of the powder, or four of the tablets, and there is an end of the trouble. Indeed, there is something almost miraculous about the speed with which 'Bisurated' Magnesia arrests acute stomach pain. 'Bisurated' Magnesia (powder or tablets) can be obtained from all Chemists and Stores. I advise every sufferer to take some after their next meal, the relief will be a revelation.



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BUS CONDUCTORS ON SERIOUS CHARGES Alleged Forgery, Conspiracy And Embezzlement

WEARING their uniforms, five conductors of the Kowloon Motor Bus Company appeared before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at Kowloon Magistracy to-day on a charge of conspiracy to defraud the Bus Company.

Defendants were Li Sang, 27, unemployed, Wu Wing, 22, conductor, Tang Tak, 26, conductor, Ho On, 22, conductor, Pun Fat, 31, conductor, Wong Lee, 26, conductor and Chan Tai, 27, married woman.

Inspector A. E. Carey preferred further counts against the defendants, making 18 total charges. The woman is only accused of conspiracy.

Additional Charges

Apart from the conspiracy charge, Li Sang was accused of the possession of 930 forged tickets purported to be issued by the Bus Company, possession of 16 forged dies for the making of the Company's bus tickets and possession of a printing press without a licence.

Wu was further charged with uttering two forged tickets, demanding money on forged documents and embezzlement.

He was additionally charged with possession of 140 forged tickets, uttering forged documents, demanding money on false documents, and embezzlement.

Pun Fat was on extra counts of uttering a forged ticket, demanding money on forged documents, and embezzlement.

All defendants were remanded for a week.

Mr. C. A. S. Russ is defending Wong Lee, and Mr. S. Ng Quinn represents Wu and Tang.

The woman was allowed \$250 bail, but no bail was fixed for the other defendants.

Inspector Carey said the case is now being taken for committal.

Just Peace Is Promised House Of Commons Assurance

LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—Replying to questions in the House of Commons, asking for an assurance that no agreement with the Allied Powers or others which might hamper a just settlement at the end of war would be made, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said that it was not the Government's intention to take any step which might prevent satisfaction being reached at the end of the war.

The Iraq Government, he also said, had given formal assurances that the Mufti of Jerusalem, who is at present sheltering in Iraq, would not be permitted to engage in political activity, or be the cause of agitation.

Chinese, Japanese Bonds Strengthen

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—M. Molotov's speech caused no surprise in market circles.

Consequently prices opened steady and trade was quiet.

Subsequently, however, business became more brisk among Kaffirs and foreigners, Chinese and Japanese bonds being particularly good.

Rayons were higher on the announcement of an increase in the price of rayon yarn.

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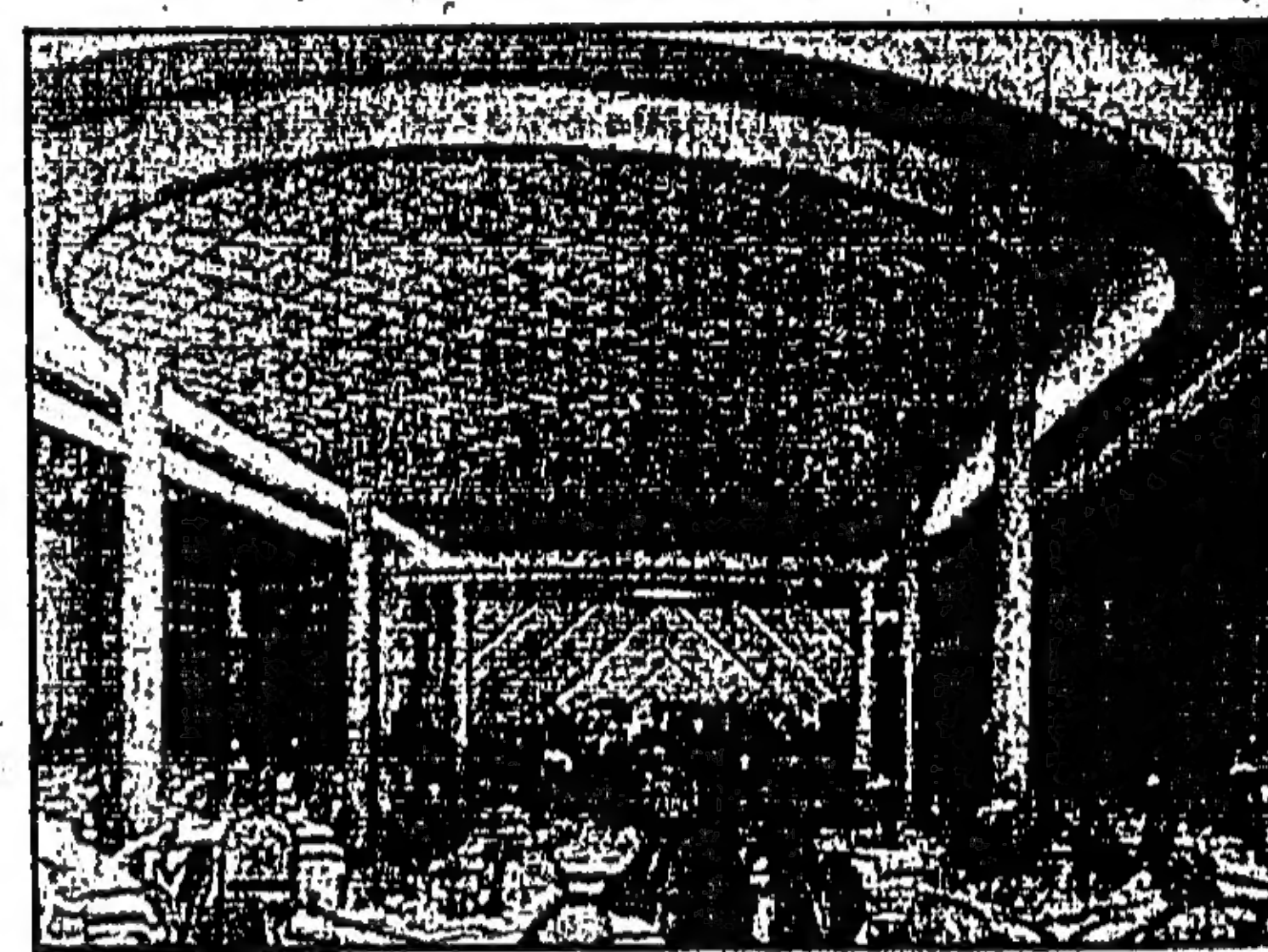
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LATE NEWS

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Consignment For H.K. Defence

KOWLOON RESIDENTS this afternoon watched a procession of the first tanks ever seen in Hongkong. The tanks—forty-four in number—were landed by a British steamer this morning. They have been sent out from England, and are to be stationed in the Colony.

They are said to be of the latest type used by the British Army and are powered by engines which develop a very high speed in the caterpillar tracks.

Manufactured by Vickers, the tanks are equipped with Bren guns.

STORMS STOP SEARCH

WASHINGTON, Nov. 1 (UP).—Gales have forced the United States coastguard cutters and naval planes to return to shore after reaching within 35 miles of the British steamer Coulmore's last position.

Reports from London state that the Admiralty has not yet received any news regarding the Coulmore and that they are unable to confirm whether she is in distress.

HITLER HIT

By Woman's New Play

WASHINGTON. WASHINGTON roared with laughter to-day over the new play, "Margin for Error," by Clara Boothe, author of "The Women," which puts Hitlerism on the spot and is as blistering and pungent a blast against Nazism as ever came from a dramatist's pen.

The play, which was presented last night, provoked hisses whenever the Nazi leader was mentioned. At one point the show was stopped as the audience stamped their feet and clapped, drowning the words of the actor playing the German Consul, Karl Baumer, villain and central figure in the play.

Baumer is such a consummate villain that everyone—including the entire audience—wants to see him destroyed.

The first act is laid in the office of the Nazi consul of a large American city, and the author takes the opportunity of saying bluntly what she thinks of the "lunatic juggernaut" who now menaces the world.

The consul dies a violent death—to the cheers of the audience. Miss Boothe presents Hitler as the arch-enemy of America, and, judging by the applause, the audience agreed with her.

No Sinkiang Trouble

Province's Leaders Re-Assure Chiang

CHUNGKING, Nov. 1 (Reuter).—Rumours of trouble in Sinkiang (Chinese Turkestan) are automatically dispelled, Chinese circles here claim, by the receipt of a lengthy joint telegram from General Sheng Shih-tsai, Pacification Commissioner in Sinkiang, and Li Yan, Governor of Sinkiang, congratulating General Chiang Kai-shek and General Chen Cheng and Hsueh Yo on the Chinese victory at Changsha recently.

In the message, the leaders pledged their loyalty to the Chinese Government, and gave an assurance that they would do everything in their power to contribute resources to aid the war of resistance against Japan.

SPANISH SHORTAGE

Madrid, Nov. 1. "Hidden enemies," who by hoarding and profiteering were sabotaging the Government's efforts, were vigorously denounced by the Minister of the Interior, Senor Sener, in a broadcast to the nation. He said that with the object of assisting the poorer classes the Government would take absolute control of the country's staple food resources.

The Minister added that the Government was faced with the problem of meeting serious shortages in national production of foodstuffs, especially wheat, sugar and olive oil.—Reuter Special.

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